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ISAHLUKO 1

1 Wathi uThixo, Masenze umntu ngokomfanekiso wethu, ngokufana nathi, waza uThixo wamdala umntu ngokomfanekiso wakhe.
2 UThixo wambumba umntu ngomhlaba, waphefumlela emakhaleni akhe umoya wobomi, waza umntu waba ngumphefumlo ophilayo okwaziyo ukuthetha.
3 INkosi yathi, Akulungile ukuba umntu abe yedwa; Ndiya kumenzela umncedisi.
4 Kwaye iNkosi yamhlisela ubuthongo obukhulu uAdam, walala, waza wathabatha olunye lweembambo zakhe, waza wakha inyama phezu kwalo, waza walubumba waza waluzisa kuAdam, waza uAdam wavuka ebuthongweni bakhe, nanko umfazi emi phambi kwakhe.
5 Wathi, Eli lithambo lamathambo am kwaye liya kubizwa ngokuba ngumfazi, kuba eli lithatyathwe endodeni; kwaye uAdam wamthiya igama elinguEva, kuba wayengunina wabo bonke abaphilayo.
6 UThixo wabasikelela waza wabathiya amagama athi nguAdam noEva ngomhla awabadala ngawo, wathi uYehova uThixo, Qhamani, nande, niwuzalise umhlaba.
7 UYehova uThixo wamthabatha uAdam nomfazi wakhe, wababeka emyezweni wase-Eden ukuba bawusebenze baze bawugcine; wabayalela wathi kubo, Ningadla kuyo yonke imithi yomyezo, kodwa ningadli kuwo umthi wokwazi okulungileyo nokubi, kuba mhla nithe nadla kuwo niya kufa ngokuqinisekileyo.
8 Kwaye xa uThixo wayebasikelele waza wabayalela, wemka kubo, kwaye uAdam nomfazi wakhe bahlala emyezweni ngokomyalelo iNkosi eyayibayalele wona.
9 Kwaye inyoka, uThixo awayeyidalile nabo emhlabeni, yeza kubo ukuze ibakhuthaze ukuba baphule umyalelo kaThixo awayebayalele wona.
10 Kwaye inyoka yamhenda waza wamcenga umfazi ukuba atye kumthi wokwazi, waza umfazi waliphulaphula ilizwi lenyoka, waza waphula ilizwi likaThixo, waza wathabatha kumthi wokwazi okulungileyo nokubi, waza wadla, waza wathabatha kuwo waza wanika nendoda yakhe nayo yadla.
11 Kwaye uAdam nomfazi wakhe baphula umyalelo kaThixo awayebayalele wona, waza uThixo wakwazi oko, waza umsindo wakhe wavutha kubo waza wabaqalekisa.
12 UYehova uThixo wabagxotha ngaloo mini emyezweni wase-Eden, ukuze basebenze umhlaba ababethatyathwe kuwo, baza bahamba baya kuhlala empuma yomyezo wase-Eden; waza uAdam wamazi umkakhe uEva, waza wazala oonyana ababini neentombi ezintathu.
13 Wamthiya igama lowamazibulo uKayin, esithi, Ndifumene indoda evela kuYehova; waza wamthiya igama lomnye uAbheli; kuba wathi, Singene emhlabeni singenanto, saza sasuswa kuwo singenanto.
14 Akhula ke amakhwenkwe, uyise wabanika ilifa kwelo zwe; uKayin waba ngumlimi womhlaba, uAbheli waba ngumalusi wezimvu.
15 Kwathi emva kweminyaka embalwa, bazisa umnikelo kuYehova, uKayin wazisa iziqhamo zomhlaba, noAbheli wazisa amazibulo ezimvu zakhe, kwanamanqatha awo; uThixo wamjonga uAbheli nomnikelo wakhe; kwehla umlilo uvela kuYehova, wawutshisa.
16 Kwaye iNkosi ayizange imjonge uKayin nomnikelo wakhe, kwaye ayizange imjonge, kuba wayezise iziqhamo zomhlaba eziphantsi phambi kweNkosi, kwaye uKayin waba nomona ngomntakwabo uAbheli ngenxa yoku, waza wafuna isizathu sokumbulala.
17 Emva kwexesha elithile, uKayin noAbheli umntakwabo, baya emasimini ngenye imini ukuya kwenza umsebenzi wabo; kwaye bobabini babesemasimini, uKayin elima kwaye elima umhlaba wakhe, kwaye uAbheli wayesalusa umhlambi wakhe; kwaye umhlambi wadlula kuloo ndawo uKayin wayeyilimile emhlabeni, kwaye kwamkhathaza kakhulu uKayin ngenxa yoku.
18 UKayin wasondela kumntakwabo uAbheli enomsindo, wathi kuye, Yintoni na phakathi kwam nawe, ukuba uze kuhlala apha, uze nemihlambi yakho ukuba idle ezweni lam?
19 UAbheli wamphendula uKayin umntakwabo, wathi kuye, Yintoni na phakathi kwam nawe, ukuba udle inyama yezimvu zam, wambathe uboya bazo?
20 Ngoko ke, susa uboya bezimvu zam ozambathise ngazo, undibuyisele isiqhamo sazo nenyama yazo oyidlileyo, uze wakuba ukwenzile oku, ndimke kweli lizwe lakho njengoko ubutshilo.
21 Wathi uKayin kumntakwabo uAbheli, Ukuba ndiyakubulala namhlanje, ngubani na oya kufuna igazi lakho kum?
22 UAbheli wamphendula uKayin, esithi, Ewe, uThixo osenze emhlabeni, uya kundiphindezelela ityala lam, kwaye uya kufuna igazi lam kuwe ukuba ungandibulala, kuba iNkosi ngumgwebi nomgwebi, kwaye nguye oya kubuyisela umntu ngokobubi bakhe, nomntu ongendawo ngokobubi abenzayo emhlabeni.
23 Ngoku ke, ukuba ungandibulala apha, ngokuqinisekileyo uThixo uyazazi iimbono zakho ezifihlakeleyo, kwaye uya kukugweba ngobubi obuthe uza kubenza kum namhlanje.
24 Kwaye xa uKayin weva amazwi awayethethwe nguAbheli umninawa wakhe, khangela umsindo kaKayin wavutha kumntakwabo uAbheli ngokuvakalisa le nto.
25 Wakhawuleza uKayin, wesuka, wathabatha intsimbi yesixhobo sakhe sokulima, awathi ngequbuliso wabetha ngaso umntakwabo, wambulala, waza uKayin waliphalaza igazi lomntakwabo uAbheli emhlabeni, igazi likaAbheli lasasazeka emhlabeni phambi komhlambi.
26 Emva koko uKayin waguquka emva kokuba ebulele umntakwabo, waza waba buhlungu kabuhlungu, waza walila ngenxa yakhe kwaye oko kwamkhathaza kakhulu.
27 Wesuka uKayin, wemba umngxuma endle, wafaka kuwo isidumbu somntakwabo, waza wasigubungela ngothuli.
28 Kwaye iNkosi yayazi into uKayin ayenzileyo kumntakwabo, kwaye iNkosi yabonakala kuKayin yathi kuye, Uphi na uAbheli umntakwenu obenawe?
29 UKayin wakhohlisa, wathi, Andazi, ndingumgcini womntakwethu na? Wathi uYehova kuye, Wenze ntoni na? Izwi legazi lomntakwenu liyakhala kum livela emhlabeni apho umbulale khona.
30 Kuba ubulele umntakwenu waza wazenza intlekisa phambi kwam, waza wacinga entliziyweni yakho ukuba andikubonanga, kwaye andizazi zonke izenzo zakho.

31 Kodwa wena wenze le nto, wambulala umntakwenu ngelize, kuba ethethe okulungileyo kuwe, ke ngoko, uqalekisiwe emhlabeni owavula umlomo wawo ukuba wamkele igazi lomntakwenu esandleni sakho, owamngcwaba kuwo.
32 Kuya kuthi xa ulima, ungaphindi ukunike amandla awo njengasekuqaleni, kuba umhlaba uya kuvelisa ameva namakhakakhaka, uze uzulazule emhlabeni kude kube yimini yokufa kwakho.
33 Waphuma uKayin kuloo ndawo wayekuyo, wemka ebusweni bukaYehova; wahambahamba, wahambahamba ezweni lasempumalanga ye-Eden, yena nazo zonke izinto zakhe.
34 UKayin wamazi umfazi wakhe ngaloo mihla, wamitha waza wazala unyana, waza wamthiya igama elinguEnoki, esithi, Ngaloo xesha iNkosi yaqala ukumnika ukuphumla nokuzola emhlabeni.
35 Kwaye ngelo xesha uKayin naye waqala ukwakha isixeko: waza wakha isixeko waza wathi igama lesixeko nguEnoki, ngokwegama lonyana wakhe; kuba ngaloo mihla iNkosi yayimnike ukuphumla emhlabeni, kwaye akazange ahambehamba kwaye azulazule njengasekuqaleni.
36 UEnoki wazala uIradi, uIradi wazala uMechuyayeli, uMechuyayeli wazala uMethusayeli.

ISAHLUKO 2

1 Kwaye kwakungonyaka wekhulu elinamashumi amathathu wobomi buka-Adam emhlabeni, apho waphinda wamazi uEva umkakhe, waza wamitha waza wazala unyana ngokufana naye nangomfanekiso wakhe, waza wamthiya igama elinguSete, esithi, Ngenxa yokuba uThixo undimisele enye imbewu endaweni ka-Abheli, kuba uKayin wambulala.
2 USete wahlala iminyaka elikhulu elinesihlanu, waza wazala unyana; waza uSete wamthiya igama unyana wakhe uEnoshe, esithi, Ngenxa yokuba ngelo xesha oonyana babantu baqala ukwanda, nokucinezela imiphefumlo neentliziyo zabo ngokunxaxha nangokuvukela uThixo.
3 Kwaye kwakungemihla kaEnoshe apho oonyana babantu baqhubeka nokuvukela nokunxaxha nxamnye noThixo, ukuze bongeze umsindo weNkosi nxamnye noonyana babantu.
4 Oonyana babantu baya kukhonza abanye oothixo, bamlibala uYehova owabadala emhlabeni; ngaloo mihla oonyana babantu benza imifanekiso yobhedu nesinyithi, umthi nelitye, baqubuda, babakhonza.
5 Kwaye wonke umntu wenza uthixo wakhe waza waqubuda kubo, kwaye oonyana babantu bamshiya uYehova yonke imihla kaEnoshe nabantwana bakhe; kwaye umsindo weNkosi wavutha ngenxa yemisebenzi yabo namasikizi ababewenza emhlabeni.
6 Kwaye iNkosi yabangela ukuba amanzi omlambo iGihon abagubungele, yaza yabatshabalalisa yaza yabatshabalalisa, yaza yatshabalalisa isithathu somhlaba, nangona kunjalo, oonyana babantu abazange baguquke kwiindlela zabo ezimbi, kwaye izandla zabo zazisoluliwe ukwenza ububi emehlweni eNkosi.
7 Ngaloo mihla bekungekho kutyalwa okanye kuvunwa emhlabeni; bekungekho kutya koonyana babantu, kwaye indlala yayinkulu kakhulu ngaloo mihla.
8 Kwaye imbewu abayihlwayelayo ngaloo mihla emhlabeni yaba yimithana enameva, iinkunzane namakhakakhaka; kuba ukususela kwimihla ka-Adam kwakukho esi sibhengezo malunga nomhlaba, sesiqalekiso sikaThixo, awasiqalekisa umhlaba, ngenxa yesono uAdam awonayo phambi kweNkosi.
9 Kwaye kwakuxa abantu beqhubeka nokuvukela nokunxaxha nxamnye noThixo, kwaye bezonakalisa iindlela zabo, apho nomhlaba nawo wonakele khona.
10 UEnoshe wahlala iminyaka engamashumi asithoba, wazala uKenan;
11 Wakhula uKenan, eneminyaka engamashumi amane ubudala, waba nobulumko, waba nolwazi nobuchule kubo bonke ubulumko, walawula bonke oonyana babantu, wabakhokelela kubulumko nolwazi; kuba uKenan wayeyindoda elumkileyo kakhulu, enengqondo kubo bonke ubulumko, kwaye ngobulumko bakhe wayelawula oomoya needemon;
12 Kwaye uKenan wayesazi ngobulumko bakhe ukuba uThixo wayeza kubatshabalalisa oonyana babantu ngenxa yokuba bonile emhlabeni, nokuba iNkosi yayiza kubazisela amanzi kanogumbe ngemihla yokugqibela.
13 Kwaye ngaloo mihla uKenan wabhala phezu kwamacwecwe amatye, oko kwakuza kwenzeka kwixesha elizayo, waza wakufaka koovimba bakhe.
14 UKenan walawula phezu komhlaba wonke, waza waguqula abanye boonyana babantu ukuba bakhonze uThixo.
15 Kwaye xa uKenan wayeneminyaka engamashumi asixhenxe ubudala, wazala oonyana abathathu neentombi ezimbini.
16 Ngawo la amagama oonyana bakaKenan: igama lowamazibulo uMahalaleli, owesibini nguEnan, nowesithathu nguMeredi, oodade babo yayinguAda noZila; ngabo abo bantwana bahlanu bakaKenan awabazalelwayo.
17 ULameki, unyana kaMethusayeli, wazalana noKayinan ngomtshato, waza wathabatha iintombi zakhe ezimbini zaba ngabafazi bakhe, waza uAda wamitha waza wamzalela unyana uLameki, waza wamthiya igama elinguYabhali.
18 Waphinda wamitha, wazala unyana, wamthiya igama elinguYubhali; uZila, udade wabo, wayengenabantwana ngaloo mihla, engenabantwana.
19 Kuba ngaloo mihla oonyana babantu baqala ukunxaxha kuThixo, nokugqitha imiyalelo awayeyiyalele uAdam, yokuba baqhame baze bande emhlabeni.
20 Abanye oonyana babantu banika abafazi babo amanzi amdaka ukuze bangabi nabantwana, ukuze bahlale benemizimba emihle, baze ubuhle babo bungabi buthathaka.
21 Xa oonyana babantu babeseza abanye abafazi babo, uZila wasela nabo.
22 Abafazi ababezala abantwana babebonakala beyinto engcolileyo emehlweni amadoda abo njengabahlolokazi, ngelixa amadoda abo esaphila, kuba babenamathele kwabangenazidlolo kuphela.
23 Kwathi ekupheleni kwemihla neminyaka, xa uZila wayesele aluphele, uYehova wasivula isizalo sakhe.
24 Waza wamitha waza wazala unyana, wamthiya igama elinguTubhali-kayini, esithi, Emva kokuba ndibunile, ndimfumene kuThixo uSomandla.

25 Waphinda wamitha, wazala intombi, wayithiya igama elinguNahama, kuba wathi, Emva kokuba ndibunile, ndifumene uyolo nolonwabo.
26 ULameki wayesele emdala kwaye ekhulile ngeminyaka, namehlo akhe ayefiphele kangangokuba wayengaboni, kwaye uTubal Kayin, unyana wakhe, wayemkhokela kwaye ngenye imini uLameki waya endle kwaye uTubal Kayin unyana wakhe wayekunye naye, kwaye ngelixa babehamba endle, uKayin unyana ka-Adam weza kubo; kuba uLameki wayesele emdala kakhulu kwaye wayengaboni kakhulu, kwaye uTubal Kayin unyana wakhe wayeselula kakhulu.
27 UTubhali Kayini waxelela uyise ukuba atsale isaphetha sakhe, waza ngeentolo wabetha uKayin, owayesekude, waza wambulala, kuba wayebonakala kubo njengesilwanyana.
28 Kwaye iintolo zangena emzimbeni kaKayin nangona wayekude nazo, waza wawela emhlabeni waza wafa.
29 UYehova wabuyisela ububi bukaKayin ngokobubi bakhe awabenzayo kuAbheli umninawa wakhe, ngokwelizwi likaYehova awalithethayo.
30 Kwaye kwenzeka ukuba uKayin akuba efile, uLameki noTubhali baya kubona isilwanyana ababesibulele, baza babona, kwaye khangela uKayin uyisemkhulu wabo wayewile efile emhlabeni.
31 Kwaye uLameki waba buhlungu kakhulu ngokwenza oku, waza ekuqhwabeni izandla wabetha unyana wakhe waza wabangela ukufa kwakhe.
32 Abafazi bakaLameki beva oko uLameki wayekwenzile, baza bazama ukumbulala.
33 Abafazi bakaLameki bamthiya ukususela ngaloo mini, kuba wabulala uKayin noTubhali Kayin, kwaye abafazi bakaLameki bahlukana naye, kwaye abazange bamphulaphule ngaloo mihla.
34 ULameki weza kubafazi bakhe, waza wabacenga ukuba bammamele ngale nto.
35 Wathi kubafazi bakhe uAda noZila, Phulaphulani ilizwi lam, bafazi bakaLameki, phulaphulani amazwi am, kuba ngoku nicinge nithi ndibulele indoda ngamanxeba am, nomntwana ngamanxeba am ngenxa yokuba bengenzanga bundlobongela, kodwa yazini ngokuqinisekileyo ukuba ndimdala kwaye ndingwevu, nokuba amehlo am anzima ngenxa yokwaluphala, kwaye ndenze le nto ndingazi.
36 Abafazi bakaLameki bamphulaphula kule nto, baza babuyela kuye ngengcebiso kayise uAdam, kodwa abazange bamzalele bantwana ukususela ngelo xesha, besazi ukuba umsindo kaThixo wawukhula ngaloo mihla nxamnye noonyana babantu, ukuba abatshabalalise ngamanzi kanogumbe ngenxa yezenzo zabo ezimbi.
37 UMahalaleli unyana kaKenan waphila iminyaka engamashumi amathandathu anesihlanu waza wazala uYaredi; waza uYaredi waphila iminyaka engamashumi amathandathu anesibini waza wazala uEnoki.

ISAHLUKO 3

1 UEnoki wahlala iminyaka engamashumi amathandathu anesihlanu waza wazala uMethusela; kwaye uEnoki wahamba noThixo emva kokuzala uMethusela, kwaye wakhonza iNkosi, waza wazithiya iindlela ezimbi zabantu.
2 Kwaye umphefumlo kaEnoki wawusongelwe kwimiyalelo yeNkosi, ngolwazi nasekuqondeni; waza ngobulumko wemka koonyana babantu, waza wazifihla kubo imihla emininzi.
3 Kwathi ekupheleni kweminyaka emininzi, ekhonza iNkosi, ethandaza phambi kwayo endlwini yayo, isithunywa seNkosi samemeza kuye sisezulwini, sathi, Ndilapha.
4 Wathi, Suka, phuma endlwini yakho nakwendawo ozifihla kuyo, ubonakale koonyana babantu, ukuze ubafundise indlela abafanele bahambe ngayo nomsebenzi abamele bawufeze ukuze bangene kwiindlela zikaThixo.
5 Kwaye uEnoki waphakama ngokwelizwi leNkosi, waza waphuma endlwini yakhe, endaweni yakhe nakwigumbi awayezifihle kulo; waza waya koonyana babantu waza wabafundisa iindlela zeNkosi, waza ngelo xesha wahlanganisa oonyana babantu waza wabaqhelanisa nemfundiso yeNkosi.
6 Waza wayalela ukuba kubhengezwe kuzo zonke iindawo apho oonyana babantu babehlala khona, esithi, Uphi na umntu onqwenela ukwazi iindlela zeNkosi nemisebenzi emihle? Makaze kuEnoki.
7 Kwaye bonke oonyana babantu bahlanganisana kuye, kuba bonke ababenqwenela le nto baya kuEnoki, kwaye uEnoki walawula oonyana babantu ngokwelizwi leNkosi, baza beza baqubuda kuye baza baliva ilizwi lakhe.
8 Kwaye umoya kaThixo wawuphezu kukaEnoki, waza wafundisa bonke abantu bakhe ubulumko bukaThixo neendlela zakhe, kwaye oonyana babantu bakhonza iNkosi yonke imihla kaEnoki, baza beza kuva ubulumko bakhe.
9 Bonke ookumkani boonyana babantu, abokuqala nabokugqibela, kunye neenkosana zabo nabagwebi, beza kuEnoki bakuva ngobulumko bakhe, baza baqubuda kuye, baza bacela noEnoki ukuba abalawule, nto leyo awavumayo.
10 Bahlanganisa bonke, ookumkani neenkosana ezilikhulu elinamashumi amathathu, baza bamenza uEnoki ukumkani phezu kwabo kwaye bonke babephantsi kwamandla akhe nomyalelo wakhe.
11 Kwaye uEnoki wabafundisa ubulumko, ulwazi, neendlela zeNkosi; waza wenza uxolo phakathi kwabo, kwaye uxolo lwalukho emhlabeni wonke ngexesha lobomi bukaEnoki.
12 Kwaye uEnoki walawula phezu koonyana babantu iminyaka engamakhulu amabini anamashumi amane anesithathu, kwaye wenza ubulungisa nobulungisa kunye nabo bonke abantu bakhe, waza wabakhokela ezindleleni zeNkosi.
13 Kwaye le yinzala kaEnoki, uMethusela, uElisha, noElimeleki, oonyana abathathu; kwaye oodade babo yayinguMelka noNahma, kwaye uMethusela waphila iminyaka engamashumi asibhozo anesixhenxe waza wazala uLameki.
14 Kwaye kwakungonyaka wamashumi amahlanu anesithandathu wobomi bukaLameki xa uAdam wafayo; wayeneminyaka engamakhulu alithoba anamashumi amathathu ubudala ekufeni kwakhe, kwaye oonyana bakhe ababini, kunye noEnoki noMethusela unyana wakhe, bamngcwaba ngozuko olukhulu, njengasekungcwatyweni kookumkani, emqolombeni uThixo awayemxelele wona.

15 Kuloo ndawo ke bonke oonyana babantu benza isijwili esikhulu nesililo ngenxa ka-Adam; ngoko ke kuye kwaba lisiko phakathi koonyana babantu kude kube namhlanje.
16 UAdam wafa ngenxa yokuba wadla kumthi wokwazi; yena nabantwana bakhe emva kwakhe, njengoko iNkosi uThixo yayithethile.
17 Kwaye kwakungonyaka wokufa kuka-Adam owawungunyaka wamakhulu amabini anamashumi amane anesithathu wolawulo luka-Enoki, ngelo xesha u-Enoki wagqiba ekubeni azahlule koonyana babantu aze azifihle njengasekuqaleni ukuze akhonze iNkosi.
18 UEnoki wenza njalo, kodwa akazifihlanga ngokupheleleyo kubo, kodwa wazifihla kude noonyana babantu iintsuku ezintathu waza waya kubo usuku olunye.
19 Kwaye ngexesha leentsuku ezintathu awayekwigumbi lakhe lokulala, wathandaza, waza wadumisa iNkosi uThixo wakhe, kwaye ngomhla awaya ngawo waza wabonakala kubantu bakhe wabafundisa iindlela zeNkosi, kwaye konke ababembuza kona ngeNkosi wayebaxelela kona.
20 Wenjenjalo iminyaka emininzi, waza emva koko wazifihla iintsuku ezintandathu, waza wabonakala ebantwini bakhe ngosuku olunye kwezisixhenxe; emva koko kube kanye ngenyanga, waza emva koko kwaba kanye ngonyaka, bade bonke ookumkani, iinkosana noonyana babantu bamfuna, baza banqwenela kwakhona ukubona ubuso bukaEnoki, nokuva ilizwi lakhe; kodwa babengenakukwazi, njengoko bonke oonyana babantu babemoyika kakhulu uEnoki, kwaye babesoyika ukusondela kuye ngenxa yoloyiko olufana nolukaThixo olwalusebusweni bakhe; ke ngoko akukho mntu wayenokumjonga, esoyika ukuba angagwetywa aze afe.
21 Kwaye bonke ookumkani neenkosana bagqiba kwelokuba bahlanganise oonyana babantu, baze beze kuEnoki, becinga ukuba bonke bangathetha naye ngexesha awayeza kuvela phakathi kwabo, baza benza njalo.
22 Kwaye kwafika imini xa uEnoki waphuma baza bonke bahlanganisana beza kuye, waza uEnoki wathetha kubo amazwi eNkosi waza wabafundisa ubulumko nolwazi, baza baqubuda phambi kwakhe baza bathi, Makaphile ukumkani! Makaphile ukumkani!
23 Kwaye kwixesha elithile emva koko, xa ookumkani neenkosana noonyana babantu babethetha noEnoki, kwaye uEnoki wayebafundisa iindlela zikaThixo, khangela ingelosi yeNkosi yambiza uEnoki isezulwini, yaza yanqwenela ukumnyusa iye ezulwini ukuze imenze alawule apho phezu koonyana bakaThixo, njengoko wayelawula phezu koonyana babantu emhlabeni.
24 Xa ngelo xesha uEnoki weva oku, wahamba waya kuhlanganisa bonke abemi bomhlaba, wabafundisa ubulumko nolwazi, wabanika imiyalelo yobuthixo, waza wathi kubo, Ndinyanzelekile ukuba ndinyukele ezulwini, ngoko ke andiyazi imini yokuya kwam.
25 Ke ngoko ndiya kukufundisa ubulumko nolwazi, ndikunike umyalelo ngaphambi kokuba ndikushiye, indlela yokwenza izinto emhlabeni onokuphila ngazo; waza wenza njalo.
26 Wabafundisa ubulumko nolwazi, wabanika umyalelo, wabakhalimela, waza wabeka phambi kwabo imimiselo nemigwebo ukuba bayenze emhlabeni, waza wenza uxolo phakathi kwabo, waza wabafundisa ubomi obungunaphakade, waza wahlala nabo ixesha elithile ebafundisa zonke ezi zinto.
27 Kwaye ngelo xesha oonyana babantu babekunye noEnoki, kwaye uEnoki wayethetha nabo, baza baphakamisa amehlo abo babona umfanekiso wehashe elikhulu uhla uvela ezulwini, kwaye ihashe lihamba emoyeni;
28 Bamxelela uEnoki oko bakubonileyo, waza uEnoki wathi kubo, Ngenxa yam eli hashe lehla emhlabeni; ixesha lifikile lokuba ndimke kuni kwaye andisayi kuphinda ndibonwe nini.
29 Ihashe lehla ngelo xesha laza lema phambi koEnoki, baza bonke oonyana babantu ababekunye noEnoki bambona.
30 UEnoki ke ngoko wayalela ukuba kumenyezelwe ilizwi, lisithi, Uphi na umntu othanda ukwazi iindlela zeNkosi uThixo wakhe, makaze namhlanje kuEnoki ngaphambi kokuba asuswe kuthi.
31 Bonke oonyana babantu bahlanganisana baza beza kuEnoki ngaloo mini; bonke ookumkani bomhlaba kunye neenkosana zabo nabacebisi bahlala naye ngaloo mini; waza uEnoki wafundisa oonyana babantu ubulumko nolwazi, waza wabanika umyalelo wobuthixo; waza wabayalela ukuba bakhonze iNkosi baze bahambe ngeendlela zayo yonke imihla yobomi babo, waza waqhubeka esenza uxolo phakathi kwabo.
32 Emva koko wavuka waza wakhwela ihashe; waphuma, bamlandela bonke oonyana babantu, malunga namakhulu asibhozo amawaka amadoda; bahamba naye uhambo losuku olunye.
33 Ngosuku lwesibini wathi kubo, Buyelani emakhaya eententeni zenu, kutheni niza kuhamba? mhlawumbi ningafa; kwaye abanye babo bamshiya, kwaye abo baseleyo bahamba naye uhambo lweentsuku ezintandathu; kwaye uEnoki wayesithi kubo yonke imihla, Buyelani eententeni zenu, hleze ningafi; kodwa abazange bavume ukubuya, kwaye bahamba naye.
34 Ngomhla wesithandathu amanye amadoda asala, anamathela kuye, athi kuye, Siya kuhamba nawe siye apho uya khona; njengoko uYehova ehleli, ukufa kuphela okuya kusahlula.
35 Bambongoza kakhulu ukuba ahambe naye, kangangokuba wayeka ukuthetha nabo; bamlandela kodwa ababuyanga;
36 Kwaye xa ookumkani babuyayo babangela ukuba kuthathwe ubalo lwabantu, ukuze kwaziwe inani lamadoda aseleyo awayehamba noEnoki; kwaye kwakungomhla wesixhenxe uEnoki enyukela ezulwini ngesivuthuvuthu, enamahashe neenqwelo zokulwa zomlilo.
37 Kwaye ngomhla wesibhozo bonke ookumkani ababekunye noEnoki bathumela ukuba babuyise inani lamadoda awayekunye noEnoki, kuloo ndawo wayenyukela kuyo ezulwini.
38 Bonke abo kumkani baya kuloo ndawo baza bafumana umhlaba apho uzele likhephu, kwaye phezu kwekhephu kwakukho amatye amakhulu ekhephu, omnye wathi komnye, Yizani, masiphume ekhephuni sibone, mhlawumbi amadoda asele noEnoki afile, kwaye ngoku aphantsi kwamatye ekhephu, kwaye bamkhangela kodwa abamfumananga, kuba wayenyukele ezulwini.

ISAHLUKO 4

1 Yonke imihla awayiphila emhlabeni uEnoki yayingamakhulu amathathu anamanci mathandathu anesihlanu eminyaka.
2 Kwaye xa uEnoki enyukela ezulwini, bonke ookumkani bomhlaba baphakama baza bathabatha uMethusela unyana wakhe baza bamthambisa, baza bamenza ukumkani phezu kwabo endaweni kayise.
3 Kwaye uMethusela wenza ngokuthe tye emehlweni kaThixo, njengoko uyise uEnoki wayemfundisile, kwaye naye ngokunjalo ebomini bakhe bonke wafundisa oonyana babantu ubulumko, ulwazi noloyiko lukaThixo, kwaye akazange aphambuke kwindlela elungileyo nokuba aye ekunene okanye ekhohlo.
4 Kodwa ngemihla yokugqibela kaMethusela, oonyana babantu bamshiya uYehova, bawonakalisa umhlaba, baphanga baza baphanga omnye nomnye, baza bavukela uThixo baza baphula umthetho, baza bonakalisa iindlela zabo, baza abavuma ukuphulaphula ilizwi likaMethusela, kodwa bavukela yena.
5 Kwaye iNkosi yaba nomsindo omkhulu kubo, kwaye iNkosi yaqhubeka nokutshabalalisa imbewu ngaloo mihla, kangangokuba kwakungekho kuhlwayela okanye kuvunwa emhlabeni.
6 Kuba xa babetyala umhlaba ukuze bafumane ukutya okuza kubaxhasa, khangela, kwavela ameva neenkunzane ezingazityalanga.
7 Nangona kunjalo oonyana babantu abazange baguquke kwiindlela zabo ezimbi, kwaye izandla zabo zazisoluliwe ukwenza ububi emehlweni kaThixo, kwaye bayicaphukisa iNkosi ngeendlela zabo ezimbi, kwaye iNkosi yaba nomsindo kakhulu, yaza yazisola ngokuba yenze umntu.
8 Waza wacinga ukubatshabalalisa nokubatshabalalisa, waza wenza njalo.
9 Ngaloo mihla, xa uLameki unyana kaMethusela wayeneminyaka elikhulu elinamanci mathandathu ubudala, wafa uSete unyana ka-Adam.
10 Kwaye yonke imihla awayiphilayo uSete yayingamakhulu alithoba aneshumi elinesibini eminyaka, waza wafa.
11 ULameki wayeneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi asibhozo ubudala xa wathabatha uAshmuwa, intombi kaElisha, unyana kaEnoki, uyisekazi, waza wakhulelwa.
12 Ngelo xesha oonyana babantu bahlwayela umhlaba, kwaza kwaveliswa ukutya okuncinci, kodwa oonyana babantu abazange baguquke kwiindlela zabo ezimbi, baza bakreqa baza bavukela uThixo.
13 Kwaye umfazi kaLameki wamitha waza wamzalela unyana ngelo xesha, ngexesha lomjikelo wonyaka.
14 UMethusela wamthiya igama elinguNowa, esithi, Umhlaba wawuphumle ngemihla yakhe, ungenakonakala, waza uLameki uyise wamthiya igama elinguMenakem, esithi, Lo uya kusithuthuzela emisebenzini yethu nasemsebenzini wethu onzima emhlabeni, uThixo awuqalekisileyo.
15 Wakhula umntwana, walunyulwa, wahamba ngeendlela zikayise uMethusela, egqibelele kwaye ethe tye kuThixo.
16 Kwaye bonke oonyana babantu bemka kwiindlela zeNkosi ngaloo mihla njengoko babesanda phezu komhlaba ngoonyana neentombi, kwaye babefundisana izenzo zabo ezimbi kwaye baqhubeka nokona eNkosini.
17 Kwaye wonke umntu wazenzela uthixo, baza baphanga kwaye baphanga ngamnye ummelwane wakhe kunye nesalamane sakhe, baza bawonakalisa umhlaba, umhlaba waza wazala lugonyamelo.
18 Abagwebi nabalawuli babo baya kwiintombi zabantu baze bathabathe abafazi babo ngokunyanzela kumadoda abo ngokwendlela abakhetha ngayo, kwaye oonyana babantu ngaloo mihla bathabatha kwizilwanyana zomhlaba, izilwanyana zasendle neentaka zezulu, baza bafundisa ukuxuba izilwanyana zohlobo olunye nolunye, ukuze bamcaphukise uYehova; waza uThixo wawubona wonke umhlaba, kwaye wonakele, kuba yonke inyama yayiyonakalisile iindlela zayo emhlabeni, bonke abantu nazo zonke izilwanyana.
19 Yathi iNkosi, Ndiya kumcima umntu endimdalileyo ebusweni bomhlaba, ewe, ukususela emntwini ukuya kwiintaka zezulu, kunye neenkomo nezilo ezisendle kuba ndiyazisola ngokuba ndizenzile.
20 Bonke abantu ababehamba ngeendlela zeNkosi, bafa ngaloo mihla, ngaphambi kokuba iNkosi izise ububi ebantwini eyayibuthethile, kuba oku kwakuvela eNkosini, ukuba bangayiboni ububi iNkosi eyayibuthethile ngoonyana babantu.
21 UNowa wafumana ubabalo emehlweni eNkosi, kwaye iNkosi yamnyula yena nabantwana bakhe ukuba bavelise imbewu kubo phezu komhlaba wonke.

ISAHLUKO 5

1 Kwaye kwakungonyaka wamashumi asibhozo anesine wobomi bukaNowa, apho uEnoki unyana kaSete wafa, wayeneminyaka engamakhulu alithoba anesihlanu ubudala ekufeni kwakhe.
2 Kwaye kunyaka wekhulu elinamashumi asixhenxe anesithoba wobomi bukaNowa, uKenan unyana kaEnoshe wafa, kwaye yonke imihla kaKenan yaba yiminyaka engamakhulu alithoba aneshumi, waza wafa.
3 Kwaye kunyaka wamakhulu amabini anamashumi amathathu anesine wobomi bukaNowa, uMahalaleli unyana kaKenan wafa, kwaye imihla kaMahalaleli yaba yiminyaka engamakhulu asibhozo anamashumi alithoba anesihlanu, waza wafa.
4 Wafa ke uYaredi unyana kaMahalaleli ngaloo mihla, ngonyaka wamakhulu amathathu anamashumi amathathu anesithandathu wobomi bukaNowa; kwaye yonke imihla kaYaredi yayingamakhulu alithoba anamashumi amathandathu anesibini eminyaka, waza wafa.
5 Bonke abo babelandela iNkosi bafa ngaloo mihla, ngaphambi kokuba babone ububi uThixo awayethe uza kubenza emhlabeni.
6 Emva kokudlula kweminyaka emininzi, kunyaka wamakhulu amane anamashumi asibhozo wobomi bukaNowa, xa bonke abo bantu, ababelandela iNkosi bafa bengekho phakathi koonyana babantu, kwaza kwasala uMethusela kuphela, uThixo wathi kuNowa noMethusela, esithi,
7 Thetha, uze uvakalise koonyana babantu, uthi, Itsho iNkosi, Buyani ezindleleni zenu ezimbi nize nishiye

imisebenzi yenu, kwaye iNkosi iya kuzisola ngobubi ethe iza kubenza kuni, ukuze bungazaliseki.
8 Kuba itsho iNkosi, Yabonani, ndininika ixesha leminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini; ukuba niza kujika nize nishiye iindlela zenu ezimbi, nam ndiya kujika ebubini endinixelele bona, buze bungasekho, itsho iNkosi.
9 Kwaye uNowa noMethusela bathetha onke amazwi eNkosi koonyana babantu, imihla ngemihla, bethetha nabo rhoqo.
10 Ke bona oonyana babantu abazange babaphulaphule, abazange bawaphulaphule amazwi abo, yaye babeneentamo ezilukhuni.
11 INkosi yabanika ixesha leminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini, isithi, Ukuba baya kubuya, uThixo uya kuzisola ngobubi, ukuze angawutshabalalisi umhlaba.
12 UNowa unyana kaLameki wayezithiyile ukuthatha umfazi ngaloo mihla, ukuze angazali abantwana, kuba wathi, Ngoku uThixo uza kuwutshabalalisa umhlaba, kutheni ke ndizale abantwana?
13 Kwaye uNowa wayeyindoda elungileyo, wayegqibelele kwisizukulwana sakhe, kwaye iNkosi yamnyula ukuba avelise imbewu evela kwimbewu yakhe phezu komhlaba.
14 Kwaye iNkosi yathi kuNowa, Zithabathele umfazi, uzale abantwana, kuba ndikubonile ulilungisa phambi kwam kwesi sizukulwana.
15 Kwaye uya kukhulisa imbewu, nabantwana bakho kunye nawe, phakathi komhlaba; uNowa waya wathabatha umfazi, waza wakhetha uNaama intombi kaEnoki, yaye wayeneminyaka engamakhulu amahlanu anamashumi asibhozo ubudala.
16 UNowa wayeneminyaka engamakhulu amane anamashumi alithoba anesibhozo ubudala, xa wathabatha uNaama ukuba abe ngumfazi.
17 UNahama wamitha, wazala unyana, wamthiya igama elinguYafete, esithi, UThixo undikhulisile emhlabeni; wamitha kwakhona, wazala unyana, wamthiya igama elinguShem, esithi, UThixo undenzele amasalela, ukuze ndivelise imbewu phakathi komhlaba.
18 UNowa wayeneminyaka engamakhulu amahlanu anesibini ubudala xa uNaama wazala uShem, baza oonyana bakhula baza bahamba ngeendlela zeNkosi, kuko konke uMethusela noNowa uyise ababafundisa kona.
19 Kwaye uLameki uyise kaNowa, wafa ngaloo mihla; kodwa ngokuqinisekileyo akazange ahambe ngentliziyo yakhe yonke ezindleleni zikayise, waza wafa kunyaka wekhulu elinamashumi alithoba anesihlanu wobomi bukaNowa.
20 Kwaye yonke imihla kaLameki yaba yiminyaka engamakhulu asixhenxe anamashumi asixhenxe, waza wafa.
21 Bonke oonyana babantu ababemazi uYehova, bafa ngaloo nyaka ngaphambi kokuba uYehova abazise ububi; kuba uYehova wayefuna bafe, ukuze bangabuboni ububi uThixo awayeza kubuzisa kubazalwana babo nakubazalwana babo, njengoko wayetshilo.
22 Ngaloo xesha, uYehova wathi kuNowa nakuMethusela, Sukani nime, nivakalise koonyana babantu onke amazwi endawathethayo kuni ngaloo mihla, mhlawumbi banokuthi babuye ezindleleni zabo ezimbi, ndize ndizisole ngenxa yobubi, ndingazisi.
23 Kwaye uNowa noMethusela bema, baza bathetha ezindlebeni zoonyana babantu, konke uThixo akuthethileyo ngabo.
24 Ke bona oonyana babantu abazange baphulaphule, kwaye abazange baphulaphule naliphi na ilizwi labo.
25 Kwaye emva koko iNkosi yathi kuNowa, Isiphelo senyama yonke sifikile phambi kwam, ngenxa yezenzo zabo ezimbi, kwaye khangela, ndiya kuwutshabalalisa umhlaba.
26 Thabatha imithi yegofere, uye endaweni ethile, wenze umkhombe omkhulu, uwubeke kuloo ndawo.
27 Uze wenjenjalo ukuwenza: ubude bawo buziikubhite ezimakhulu mathathu, ububanzi bawo buziikubhite ezimashumi mahlanu, ukuphakama kwawo kube ziikubhite ezimashumi mathathu.
28 Uze wenze ucango oluvulekileyo ecaleni kwalo, uze ulugqibe lube yikubhite enye ukusuka phezulu, ulugqume ngetawuli ngaphakathi nangaphandle.
29 Kwaye uyabona, ndiza kuzisa unogumbe wamanzi emhlabeni, kwaye yonke inyama iya kutshabalala, kwaye konke okusemhlabeni kuya kutshabalala phantsi kwamazulu.
30 Wena nendlu yakho niya kuhamba nize niqokelele ezimbini kwizidalwa zonke eziphilayo, inkunzi nemazi, nizizise emkhombeni, ukuze zivelise imbewu emhlabeni.
31 Zihlanganisele kuwe zonke izinto ezidliwayo zizilwanyana zonke, ukuze kubekho ukutya okwakho nokwazo.
32 Wozikhethela oonyana bakho iintombi ezintathu, kwiintombi zabantu, zibe ngabafazi boonyana bakho.
33 Wavuka uNowa, wakha umkhombe, apho uThixo wayemyalele khona; wenza uNowa njengoko uThixo wayemyalele.
34 Kunyaka wakhe wamakhulu amahlanu anamashumi alithoba anesihlanu uNowa waqalisa ukwenza umkhombe, waza wawenza umkhombe kwiminyaka emihlanu, njengoko iNkosi yayimyalele.
35 UNowa wazeka iintombi ezintathu zikaEliyakim, unyana kaMethusela, ukuba zibe ngabafazi boonyana bakhe, njengoko uYehova wayemwisele umthetho uNowa.
36 Kwaye ngelo xesha uMethusela unyana kaEnoki wafa, eneminyaka engamakhulu alithoba anamashumi amathandathu ubudala, ekufeni kwakhe.

ISAHLUKO 6

1 Ngelo xesha, emva kokufa kukaMethusela, iNkosi yathi kuNowa, Ngena wena nendlu yakho emkhombeni; yabona, ndiya kukuhlanganisela zonke izilwanyana zomhlaba, izilwanyana zasendle neentaka zezulu, zize zonke zijikeleze umkhombe.
2 Uze uye kuhlala emnyango womkhombe, kwaye zonke izilwanyana, izilwanyana, neentaka, ziya kuhlanganisana, zihlale phambi kwakho; kwaye bonke abo bazayo baze baqubude phambi kwakho, uze ubathabathe, ubanike esandleni soonyana bakho, abaya kubangenisa emkhombeni, kwaye bonke abo bamele phambi kwakho uya kubashiya.
3 UYehova wakwenza oku ngosuku olulandelayo, kwaye izilwanyana, izilwanyana neentaka zafika ngobuninzi obukhulu zaza zajikeleza umkhombe.

4 Wangena uNowa, wahlala emnyango womkhombe; yonke inyama eyayimi phambi kwakhe, wayingenisa emkhombeni, wayishiya yonke into eyayimi phambi kwakhe emhlabeni.
5 Kwafika ingonyamakazi, inabantwana bayo ababini, inkunzi nemazi, baza bobathathu baqubuda phambi kukaNowa, baza abo bantwana babini bavukela ingonyamakazi, bayibetha, bayigxotha endaweni yayo, yaza yemka, babuyela kwiindawo zabo, baqubuda emhlabeni phambi kukaNowa.
6 Ingonyamakazi yabaleka yemka, yema endaweni yeengonyama.
7 UNowa wakubona oku, wamangaliswa kakhulu, wavuka, wathabatha amathole omabini, wawangenisa emkhombeni.
8 UNowa wangenisa emkhombeni zonke izidalwa eziphilayo ezazisemhlabeni, kangangokuba akukho namnye ngaphandle kwalowo uNowa wayengenise emkhombeni.
9 Kweza ngambini kuNowa emkhombeni, kodwa kwizilwanyana ezihlambulukileyo, nakwiintaka ezihlambulukileyo, wathabatha ngambini ngambini, njengoko uThixo wayemyalele.
10 Zonke izilwanyana, nezilwanyana, neentaka, zazilapho, zaza zawujikeleza umkhombe kuyo yonke indawo, imvula ayizange ine kwada kwadlula iintsuku ezisixhenxe.
11 Kwaye ngaloo mini, iNkosi yabangela ukuba umhlaba wonke unyikime, ilanga laba mnyama, neziseko zehlabathi zazamazama, nomhlaba wonke washukuma ngamandla, nombane wakhanya, nendudumo yaduma, kwaye yonke imithombo emhlabeni yaqhekeka, ngendlela eyayingaziwa ngayo ngabemi ngaphambili; kwaye uThixo wenza esi senzo sinamandla, ukuze oyikise oonyana babantu, ukuze kungabikho bubi emhlabeni.
12 Kananjalo oonyana babantu abazange babuye kwiindlela zabo ezimbi, baza bamoyikisa uYehova ngelo xesha, abazange bazibeke iintliziyo zabo kwezi zinto zonke.
13 Ekupheleni kweentsuku ezisixhenxe, ngomnyaka wamakhulu amathandathu wobomi bukaNowa, amanzi onogumbe abakho emhlabeni.
14 Yonke imithombo yamanzi anzongonzongo yaqhekeka, kwavuleka neengcango zezulu, kwana imvula emhlabeni iintsuku ezingamashumi amane nobusuku obungamashumi amane.
15 Wangena uNowa emkhombeni, nendlu yakhe, nazo zonke izinto eziphilileyo ezazinaye, ngenxa yamanzi onogumbe; uYehova wamvalela ngaphakathi.
16 Bonke oonyana babantu ababesele emhlabeni, badinwa bububi ngenxa yemvula, kuba amanzi ayesanda ngamandla emhlabeni, kwaye izilwanyana nezilwanyana zazisajikeleze umkhombe.
17 Bahlanganisana oonyana babantu, malunga namakhulu asixhenxe amawaka amadoda nabafazi, baza beza kuNowa emkhombeni.
18 Bamemeza kuNowa, besithi, Sivule ukuze size kuwe ngomkhombe—kwaye kutheni na siza kufa?
19 UNowa, ngezwi elikhulu, wabaphendula emkhombeni, esithi, Anivukelanga na nonke uYehova, naza nathi akakho? Yiyo loo nto uYehova wanizisela obu bubi, ukuze anitshabalalise, aninqumle ebusweni bomhlaba.
20 Asikuko na oku endakuthethayo kuni kwiminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini eyadlulayo, kwaye anizange niliphulaphule ilizwi leNkosi, kwaye ngoku ninqwenela ukuhlala emhlabeni?
21 Bathi kuNowa, Sikulungele ukubuyela kuYehova; vula nje ukuze siphile, singafi.
22 Waphendula uNowa, wathi kubo, Yabonani, ngoku nibona inkathazo yemiphefumlo yenu, nifuna ukubuyela kuYehova; kungani na ukuba ningabuyi kule minyaka ilikhulu elinamanci mabini, uYehova aninike yona njengexesha elimisiweyo?
23 Kodwa ngoku nize kundixelela oku ngenxa yeengxaki zemiphefumlo yenu, ngoku iNkosi ayisayi kuniphulaphula, kwaye ayisayi kuniphulaphula namhla, ukuze ningaphumeleli kwiminqweno yenu.
24 Basondela oonyana babantu ukuze bangene emkhombeni, ukuze bangene ngenxa yemvula, kuba babengenakuyithwala imvula phezu kwabo.
25 UYehova wazithumela zonke izilwanyana nezilwanyana ezazimi macala onke emkhombeni, zaza zoyisa zonke izilwanyana, zaza zawagxotha kuloo ndawo, zaza zonke zahamba indlela yazo, zaza zasasazeka kwakhona emhlabeni.
26 Imvula yayisaqhubeka ihla emhlabeni, yaza yehla iintsuku ezingamashumi amane nobusuku obungamashumi amane, amanzi oyisa umhlaba kakhulu; yonke inyama eyayisemhlabeni okanye emanzini yafa, nokuba ngabantu, izilwanyana, izilwanyana zasekhaya, izinto ezirhubuluzayo okanye iintaka zezulu, kwasala uNowa kuphela kunye nabo babenaye emkhombeni.
27 Amanzi omelela, anda kakhulu emhlabeni, awuphakamisa umkhombe, wasuka emhlabeni.
28 Umkhombe wadada phezu kwamanzi, washukunyiswa emanzini kangangokuba zonke izinto eziphilayo ezazingaphakathi zajika zaba ngathi kukutya okuphekiweyo embizeni.
29 Kwaye ixhala elikhulu labamba zonke izidalwa eziphilayo ezazisemkhombeni, kwaye umkhombe wawuphantse waqhekeka.
30 Zonke izidalwa eziphilayo ezazisemkhombeni zoyika kakhulu, neengonyama zagquma, neenkomo zakhala, neengcuka zakhala, zonke izidalwa eziphilayo emkhombeni zathetha zaza zalila ngolwimi lwazo, kangangokuba amazwi azo afikelela kude, uNowa noonyana bakhe bakhala baza balila kwiingxaki zabo; babesoyika kakhulu ukuba bafikelele emasangweni okufa.
31 UNowa wathandaza eNkosini, wadanduluka kuyo ngenxa yoku, wathi, Owu Nkosi, sincede, kuba asinawo amandla okuthwala obu bubi busijikelezileyo, kuba amaza amanzi asijikelezile, imilambo ekrakra isisoyikisile, imigibe yokufa ifikile phambi kwethu; siphendule, Owu Nkosi, siphendule, khanyisa ubuso bakho kuthi kwaye ube nenceba kuthi, usikhulule kwaye usihlangule.
32 Kwaye iNkosi yaliphulaphula ilizwi likaNowa, kwaye iNkosi yamkhumbula.
33 Kwadlula umoya phezu komhlaba, amanzi azola, umkhombe wazola.
34 Yavalwa imithombo yamanzi anzongonzongo neengcango zezulu, yathintelwa nemvula evela ezulwini.
35 Amanzi ehla ngaloo mihla, umkhombe wema phezu kweentaba zaseArarati.
36 Waza uNowa wavula iifestile zomkhombe, waza uNowa waqhubeka ebiza iNkosi ngelo xesha, wathi, Owu

Nkosi, owadala umhlaba namazulu nako konke okukuwo, khupha imiphefumlo yethu kule ntolongo, nakwintolongo osibeke kuyo, kuba ndidiniwe kakhulu kukuncwina.
37 Kwaye iNkosi yaphulaphula ilizwi likaNowa, yaza yathi kuye, Xa uthe wagqiba unyaka wonke, uya kuphuma.
38 Kwaye ngexesha lomjikelo wonyaka, xa unyaka opheleleyo wawugqityiwe ukuhlala kukaNowa emkhombeni, amanzi oma emhlabeni, waza uNowa wasusa isigqubuthelo somkhombe.
39 Ngelo xesha, ngomhla wamashumi amabini anesixhenxe wenyanga yesibini, umhlaba wawomile, kodwa uNowa noonyana bakhe, nabo babenaye, abazange baphume emkhombeni de uYehova wabaxelela.
40 Yafika imini apho iNkosi yabaxelela ukuba baphume, baza bonke baphuma emkhombeni.
41 Bahamba ke, babuyela elowo endleleni yakhe nasendaweni yakhe, uNowa noonyana bakhe bahlala ezweni uThixo awayebaxelele lona, baza bamkhonza uYehova yonke imihla yabo, waza uYehova wamsikelela uNowa noonyana bakhe ekuphumeni kwabo emkhombeni.
42 Wathi kubo, Qhamani, niwuzalise umhlaba wonke; yomelelani, nande kakhulu emhlabeni, nande kuwo.

ISAHLUKO 7

1 Ngawo la amagama oonyana bakaNowa: uYafete, noHam, noShem; bazala abantwana emva konogumbe, ngokuba babethabathe abafazi ngaphambi konogumbe.
2 Ngabo aba oonyana bakaYafete: uGomere, noMagogi, noMadayi, noYavan, noTubhali, noMesheki, noTirasi, oonyana abasixhenxe.
3 Oonyana bakaGomere nguAskinazi, noRefati, noTegarma.
4 Oonyana bakaMagogi yayinguElikanafe noLubhali.
5 Oonyana bakaMadayi nguAkon, noZeelo, noHazoni, noLote.
6 Oonyana bakaYavan nguElisha, noTarshishe, noKitim, noDudonim.
7 Oonyana bakaTubhali yayinguArifi, uKesedi, noTahari.
8 Oonyana bakaMesheki yayinguDedon, noZaron, noShebhashni.
9 Oonyana bakaTira yayinguBhenibhi, uGera, uLupiriyon noGilaki; aba ngoonyana bakaYafete ngokweentsapho zabo, kwaye inani labo ngaloo mihla lalimalunga namakhulu amane anamashumi amathandathu amadoda.
10 Ngabo aba oonyana bakaHam: uKushi, uMitsirayim, uPuti, noKanan, oonyana abane; oonyana bakaKushi yayinguSebha, uHavila, uSabheta, uRama, noSateka; oonyana bakaRama yayinguShebha noDedan.
11 Oonyana bakaMitserayim yayinguLudi, noAnom, noPatrosi, noKasiloti, noKafitori.
12 Oonyana bakaPuti nguGebhuli, noHadan, noBhena, noAdan.
13 Oonyana bakaKanan nguTsidon noHeti no-Amori noGergashi noHivi noArkee noSeni noArodi noZimodi noKemoti.
14 Ngabo abo oonyana bakaHam, ngokweentsapho zabo, kwaye inani labo ngaloo mihla lalimalunga namakhulu asixhenxe anamanci mathathu amadoda.
15 Ngabo aba oonyana bakaShem: uElam, noAshuri, noArpakishadi, noLudi, noAram, oonyana abahlanu; oonyana bakaElam nguShushan, noMakhuli, noHarmon.
16 Oonyana baka-Ashare nguMirus noMokil, oonyana baka-Arpakishadi nguShelaki, no-Anare, no-Ashkoli.
17 Oonyana bakaLudi nguPetore noBhizayon; oonyana baka-Aram ngu-Utse, noKuli, noGathe, noMashi.
18 Ngabo abo oonyana bakaShem, ngokweentsapho zabo; kwaye inani labo ngaloo mihla lalimalunga namakhulu amathathu amadoda.
19 Le yinzala kaShem; uShem wazala uArpakshadi, uArpakshadi wazala uShelaki, uShelaki wazala uEbhere, waza uEbhere wazalelwa oonyana ababini, igama lomnye lalinguPelege, kuba ngemihla yakhe oonyana babantu bahlukana, kwaye ekupheleni kwemihla, umhlaba wahlukana.
20 Kwaye igama lesibini yayinguYoktan, oko kuthetha ukuba ngemihla yakhe ubomi boonyana babantu babuncipha kwaye buncipha.
21 Ngabo aba oonyana bakaYoketan: uAlmodadi, noShelafi, noHazarmovete, noYeraki, noHadurom, noOzeli, noDikela, no-Obhali, noAbhimayeli, noShebha, no-Ofire, noHavila, noYobhabhi; bonke abo ngoonyana bakaYoketan.
22 UPelege, umntakwabo, wazala uYen; uYen wazala uSerugi; uSerugi wazala uNahore; uNahore wazala uTera; uTera wayeneminyaka engamashumi amathathu anesibhozo ubudala; wazala uHaran noNahore.
23 Kwaye uKushi unyana kaHam, unyana kaNowa, wathabatha umfazi ngaloo mihla ekwaluphaleni kwakhe, waza wazala unyana, baza bamthiya igama elinguNimrodi, besithi, Ngelo xesha oonyana babantu baphinda baqalisa ukuvukela nokukreqa kuThixo, waza umntwana wakhula, waza uyise wamthanda kakhulu, kuba wayengunyana wokwaluphala kwakhe.
24 Neengubo zesikhumba uThixo azenzela uAdam nomkakhe, xa baphuma emyezweni, zanikwa uKushi.
25 Kuba emva kokufa kuka-Adam nomfazi wakhe, iingubo zanikwa uEnoki, unyana kaYerede, kwaye xa uEnoki wathatyathelwa phezulu kuThixo, wazinika uMethusela, unyana wakhe.
26 Kwaye ekufeni kukaMethusela, uNowa wabathabatha waza wabazisa emkhombeni, baza bahlala naye de waphuma emkhombeni.
27 Kwaye ekuphumeni kwabo, uHam weba ezo ngubo kuNowa uyise, waza wazithabatha wazifihla kubantakwabo.
28 Kwaye xa uHam wazala uKushi wakhe wokuqala, wamnika iingubo ngasese, baza bahlala noKushi imihla emininzi.
29 UKushi naye wazifihla koonyana bakhe nakubazalwana bakhe, waza akuba uKushi ezele uNimrodi, wamnika ezo mpahla ngenxa yothando lwakhe ngaye, waza wakhula uNimrodi, waza xa wayeneminyaka engamashumi amabini ubudala wazinxiba ezo mpahla.
30 UNimrodi waba namandla xa wayenxiba izambatho, waza uThixo wamnika amandla namandla, waza waba ngumzingeli onamandla emhlabeni, ewe, wayengumzingeli onamandla endle, waza wazingela izilwanyana waza wakha izibingelelo, waza wanikela phezu kwazo izilwanyana phambi koYehova.

31 UNimrodi waziqinisa, waza wavuka phakathi kwabazalwana bakhe, walwa iimfazwe zabazalwana bakhe nxamnye nazo zonke iintshaba zabo ezazibajikelezile.
32 Kwaye iNkosi yazinikela zonke iintshaba zabazalwana bakhe ezandleni zakhe, waza uThixo wamphumelelisa amaxesha ngamaxesha kwiimfazwe zakhe, waza walawula emhlabeni.
33 Ngoko ke kwaqala ngaloo mihla, xa indoda yayikhupha abo yayibaqeqeshele imfazwe, yayisithi kubo, Njengokuba uThixo wenzayo kuNimrodi, owayengumzingeli onamandla emhlabeni, kwaye waphumelela kwiimfazwe ezaziboyisa abazalwana bakhe, kangangokuba wabahlangula ezandleni zeentshaba zabo, ngoko ke uThixo angasomeleza aze asihlangule namhlanje.
34 Kwaye xa uNimrod wayeneminyaka engamashumi amane ubudala, ngelo xesha kwabakho imfazwe phakathi kwabazalwana bakhe nabantwana bakaYafete, kangangokuba babesezandleni zeentshaba zabo.
35 UNimrodi waphuma ngelo xesha, waza wahlanganisa bonke oonyana bakaKushi neentsapho zabo, malunga namakhulu amane anamashumi amathandathu amadoda, waza waqesha nabanye babahlobo bakhe kunye nabantu awayebazi malunga namashumi asibhozo amadoda, waza wanikwa umvuzo wabo, waza waya nabo edabini, kwaye xa wayeseluhambeni, uNimrodi womeleza iintliziyo zabantu ababehamba naye.
36 Wathi kubo, Musani ukoyika, musani ukuxhalaba; kuba zonke iintshaba zethu ziya kunikelwa esandleni sethu, nenze kuzo ngokuthanda kwenu.
37 Kwaye onke amadoda ahambayo ayemalunga namakhulu amahlanu, kwaye alwa neentshaba zawo, aza azitshabalalisa, aza azoyisa, waza uNimrod wabeka abaphathi abamileyo phezu kwawo kwiindawo zawo.
38 Wathabatha abanye babantwana babo njengesibambiso, baza bonke baba ngabakhonzi bakaNimrod nabazalwana bakhe, waza uNimrod nabo bonke abantu ababenaye babuyela ekhaya.
39 Kwaye xa uNimrod wayebuyile edabini ngovuyo, emva kokuba eyoyisile iintshaba zakhe, bonke abazalwana bakhe, kunye nabo babemazi ngaphambili, bahlanganisana ukumenza ukumkani phezu kwabo, baza bambeka isithsaba sobukhosi entlokweni yakhe.
40 Waza wamisa phezu kwabantu bakhe nabantu bakhe, iinkosana, abagwebi, nabalawuli, njengoko kuqhelekile phakathi kookumkani.
41 Waza wamisa uTera unyana kaNahore njengenkosana yomkhosi wakhe, waza wamzukisa waza wamphakamisa ngaphezu kwazo zonke iinkosana zakhe.
42 Kwaye ngelixa wayelawula ngokweminqweno yentliziyo yakhe, emva kokuba eyoyisile zonke iintshaba zakhe ezimngqongileyo, wacebisana nabacebisi bakhe ukuba bakhe isixeko sebhotwe lakhe, baza benza njalo.
43 Bafumana intlambo enkulu ngasempumalanga, baza bamakhela isixeko esikhulu nesibanzi, uNimrod wathiya igama lesixeko awasakhayo iShinare, kuba uYehova wayezitshabalalise ngamandla iintshaba zakhe waza wazitshabalalisa.
44 UNimrodi wahlala eShinare, waza walawula ngokukhuselekileyo, walwa neentshaba zakhe waza wazoyisa, waza waphumelela kuzo zonke iimfazwe zakhe, ubukumkani bakhe baba bukhulu kakhulu.
45 Zonke iintlanga neelwimi zeva ngodumo lwakhe, zaza zabuthana kuye, zaza zaqubuda emhlabeni, zazisa kuye iminikelo, waza waba yinkosi nokumkani wazo, baza bonke bahlala naye kwisixeko saseShinare, waza uNimrod walawula emhlabeni phezu kwabo bonke oonyana bakaNowa, kwaye bonke babephantsi kwamandla akhe necebo lakhe.
46 Kwaye lonke ihlabathi lalinolwimi olunye namazwi amanyeneyo, kodwa uNimrod akazange ahambe ngeendlela zeNkosi, kwaye wayenobubi ngaphezu kwabo bonke abantu ababengaphambi kwakhe, ukususela kwimihla kanogumbe ukuya kuloo mihla.
47 Wenza oothixo ngomthi namatye, waza waqubuda kubo, waza wavukela iNkosi, wafundisa bonke abantu bakhe nabantu bomhlaba iindlela zakhe ezimbi; kwaye uMardon unyana wakhe wayengendawo ngaphezu koyise.
48 Bonke abo babesiva ngezenzo zikaMardon unyana kaNimrod babesithi, ngaye, Kongendawo kuphuma ububi; ngoko ke yaba yintetho ehlabathini lonke, isithi, Kongendawo kuphuma ububi, kwaye yayisasazeke kumazwi abantu ukususela ngelo xesha ukuza kuthi ga ngoku.
49 UTera unyana kaNahore, inkosana yomkhosi kaNimrod, ngaloo mihla wayemkhulu kakhulu emehlweni okumkani nakubantu bakhe, kwaye ukumkani neenkosana babemthanda, baza bamphakamisa kakhulu.
50 UTera wathabatha umfazi, igama lakhe linguAmthelo, intombi kaCornebo; waza umfazi kaTera wamitha, wamzalela unyana ngaloo mihla.
51 UTera wayeneminyaka engamashumi asixhenxe ubudala xa wazala uAbram, waza uTera wamthiya igama lonyana wakhe awamzalelwayo, kuba ukumkani wayemkhulise ngaloo mihla, waza wamphakamisa ngaphezu kwazo zonke iinkosana zakhe ezazinaye.

ISAHLUKO 8

1 Kwaye ngobo busuku uAbram wazalwa ngabo, bonke abakhonzi bakaTera, nazo zonke izilumko zikaNimrod, kunye namaqili akhe beza badla basela endlwini kaTera, baza bavuya naye ngobo busuku.
2 Kwaye xa zonke izilumko kunye nabakhafuli baphuma endlwini kaTera, baphakamisa amehlo abo ezulwini ngobo busuku ukuze bajonge iinkwenkwezi, baza babona, kwaye khangela inkwenkwezi enye enkulu kakhulu ivela empuma kwaye ibaleka emazulwini, kwaye yaziginya iinkwenkwezi ezine kumacala omane amazulu.
3 Zonke izilumko zokumkani kunye neengcali zakhe zamangaliswa ngulo mbono, kwaye izilumko zayiqonda le nto, kwaye zaziqonda ukubaluleka kwayo.
4 Bathi omnye komnye, Oku kubonisa kuphela umntwana ozelwe nguTera ngobo busuku, oya kukhula aze aqhame, ande, aze alidle ilifa lonke ilizwe, yena nabantwana bakhe ngonaphakade, kwaye yena nembewu yakhe baya kubulala ookumkani abakhulu, baze balidle ilifa ilizwe labo.
5 Kwaye amadoda azizilumko namaqili abuyela emakhaya ngobo busuku, kwaye kusasa onke la madoda azizilumko namaqili avuka kusasa, aza ahlanganisana endlwini ethile.
6 Bathetha omnye komnye, bathi, Yabonani, umbono esiwubonileyo izolo ebusuku ufihliwe kukumkani, akawuxelelwanga.

7 Ukuba le nto inokuthi ivele kukumkani ngemihla yokugqibela, uya kuthi kuthi, Kutheni na nindifihlele le nto, size ke sonke sife; ke ngoko, masihambe siye kumxelela ukumkani umbono esiwubonileyo, nentsingiselo yawo, size ke sihlale sicacile.
8 Bakwenza oko, baza bonke baya kukumkani baqubuda kuye emhlabeni, bathi, Makaphile ukumkani, makaphile ukumkani.
9 Sivile ukuba uTera unyana kaNahore, inkosana yomkhosi wakho, uzalelwe unyana, saza safika endlwini yakhe izolo ebusuku, sadla sasela, savuya naye ngobo busuku.
10 Kwaye xa abakhonzi bakho baphuma endlwini kaTera, besiya emakhayeni ethu ukuze bahlale apho ubusuku, saphakamisa amehlo ethu ezulwini, saza sabona inkwenkwezi enkulu ivela empuma, kwaye inkwenkwezi efanayo yabaleka ngesantya esikhulu, yaza yaginya iinkwenkwezi ezine ezinkulu, ezivela kumacala omane amazulu.
11 Abakhonzi bakho bamangaliswa ngumbono esawubonayo, baza boyika kakhulu, saza sagqiba kwelokuba loo mbono, saza sazi ngobulumko bethu ukuba utoliko lwawo lufanelekile, ukuba le nto iphathelele umntwana ozelwe nguTera, oya kukhula aze ande kakhulu, aze abe namandla, aze abulale bonke ookumkani bomhlaba, aze azuze ilifa lawo onke amazwe abo, yena nembewu yakhe ngonaphakade.
12 Ke kaloku nkosi yethu nokumkani, khangela, sikuxelele ngokwenene oko sikubonileyo ngalo mntwana.
13 Ukuba kuthe kwalunga kukumkani ukunika uyise ixabiso ngalo mntwana, siya kumbulala engekakhuli aze ande kweli lizwe, nobubi bakhe bunyuke phezu kwethu, size thina nabantwana bethu sitshabalale ngenxa yobubi bakhe.
14 Waza ukumkani wawava amazwi abo, abonakala elungile emehlweni akhe, wathumela wabiza uTera, waza uTera weza phambi kokumkani.
15 Ukumkani wathi kuTera, Ndixelelwe ukuba uzalelwe unyana izolo ebusuku, kwaye ngolu hlobo wabonwa emazulwini ekuzalweni kwakhe.
16 Ngoko ke ndinike umntwana, ukuze simbulale ngaphambi kokuba ububi bakhe buvele kuthi, kwaye ndiya kukunika ngexabiso lakhe, indlu yakho izele yisilivere negolide.
17 UTera wamphendula ukumkani wathi kuye: Nkosi yam, kumkani, ndiwavile amazwi akho, kwaye umkhonzi wakho uya kwenza konke oko ukumkani wakhe akufunayo.
18 Kodwa nkosi yam, kumkani, ndiza kukuxelela okundehleleyo izolo ebusuku, ukuze ndibone ukuba ukumkani uza kumnika icebiso lini umkhonzi wakhe, ndize ndimphendule ukumkani ngoko akuthethileyo; wathi ukumkani, Thetha.
19 Wathi uTera kukumkani, U-Ayon, unyana kaMorede, weza kum izolo ebusuku, esithi,
20 Ndinike ihashe elikhulu nelihle ukumkani akunike lona, kwaye ndiya kukunika isilivere negolide, nomququ kunye nokutya ngexabiso lalo; ndathi kuye, Linda ndide ndibone ukumkani malunga namazwi akho, kwaye ubone ukuba nantoni na ukumkani ayithethayo, ndiya kuyenza.
21 Ke kaloku nkosi yam nokumkani, yabona, ndikwazisile oku, kwaye icebo ukumkani am aya kulinika umkhonzi wakhe, ndiya kulilandela.
22 Waza ukumkani weva amazwi kaTera, waza umsindo wakhe wavutha waza wamjonga njengosisiyatha.
23 Ukumkani wamphendula uTera, wathi kuye, Ngaba usisidenge kangaka, ungazi nto, okanye awunangqondo, ukwenza le nto, ukunika ihashe lakho elihle isilivere negolide okanye nokuba ngumququ nokutya?
24 Ngaba uswele kangaka isilivere negolide, kangangokuba ungenza le nto, kuba ungenakufumana umququ nokutya okondla ihashe lakho? Kwaye yintoni na isilivere negolide kuwe, okanye umququ nokutya, ukuba unike elo hashe lihle endikunike lona, elingenalo nalinye emhlabeni wonke?
25 Ukumkani wayeka ukuthetha, waza uTera waphendula ukumkani, esithi, Ukumkani uthethe ngolu hlobo kumkhonzi wakhe;
26 Ndiyakucela, nkosi yam nokumkani, yintoni na le uyithethileyo kum, uthi, Nika unyana wakho ukuze simbulale, kwaye ndiya kukunika isilivere negolide ngexabiso lakhe; ndiza kwenza ntoni ngesilivere negolide emva kokufa konyana wam? Ngubani oza kundidla ilifa? Ngokuqinisekileyo ke ekufeni kwam, isilivere negolide ziya kubuyela kukumkani wam owazinikayo.
27 Wathi ukumkani akuweva amazwi kaTera, nomzekeliso awawenzayo malunga nokumkani, waba buhlungu kakhulu waza wakhathazeka yile nto, nomsindo wakhe wavutha ngaphakathi kuye.
28 UTera wabona ukuba umsindo wokumkani uyavutha kuye, waza waphendula ukumkani, esithi, Konke endinako kusezandleni zokumkani; nantoni na ukumkani anqwenela ukuyenza kumkhonzi wakhe, makayenze, ewe, nonyana wam, usezandleni zokumkani, akanaxabiso lokutshintshiselana, yena nabazalwana bakhe ababini abadala kunaye.
29 Wathi ukumkani kuTera, Hayi, kodwa ndiza kuthenga unyana wakho omncinci ngexabiso.
30 UTera waphendula ukumkani, esithi, Ndiyakucela nkosi yam nokumkani ukuba umkhonzi wakho athethe ilizwi phambi kwakho, kwaye ukumkani makave ilizwi lomkhonzi wakhe, waza uTera wathi, Ukumkani wam makandinike ixesha leentsuku ezintathu de ndiyicinge le nto ngaphakathi kwam, ndize ndithethe nosapho lwam malunga namazwi okumkani wam; waza wamnyanzela kakhulu ukumkani ukuba avume oku.
31 Ukumkani wamphulaphula uTera, waza wenza njalo, wamnika ixesha leentsuku ezintathu, waza uTera wemka ebusweni bokumkani, wabuyela ekhaya kusapho lwakhe, wathetha kubo onke amazwi okumkani; baza abantu boyika kakhulu.
32 Kwaye ngomhla wesithathu ukumkani wathumela kuTera, esithi, Ndithumelele unyana wakho ngexabiso njengoko benditshilo kuwe; kwaye ukuba awukwenzi oku, ndiza kuthumela ndibulale konke onakho endlwini yakho, ukuze kungabikho nenja iseleyo.
33 UTera wakhawuleza, (njengoko loo nto yayingxamisekile kukumkani), waza wathabatha umntwana komnye wabakhonzi bakhe, awamzalelwa yincekukazi yakhe ngaloo mini, waza uTera wamzisa umntwana kukumkani waza wafumana ixabiso lakhe.
34 Kwaye iNkosi yayinoTera kule nto, ukuze uNimrod angabi ngunobangela wokufa kuka-Abram, waza ukumkani wamthabatha umntwana kuTera waza ngamandla akhe

onke wawa phantsi intloko yakhe, kuba wayecinga ukuba yayinguAbram; kwaye oku kwakufihliwe kuye ukususela ngaloo mini, kwaye kwalityalwa ngukumkani, njengoko kwakuyintando yoMbonelelo ukuba angavumi ukufa kuka-Abram.
35 UTera wamthabatha uAbram unyana wakhe ngasese, kunye nonina nomondli wakhe, wabafihla emqolombeni, ebaphathela ukudla kwenyanga nganye.
36 UYehova wayenoAbram emqolombeni, wakhula, uAbram wahlala emqolombeni iminyaka elishumi, ukumkani neenkosana zakhe, abavumisi neengqondi, babecinga ukuba ukumkani wayembulele uAbram.

ISAHLUKO 9

1 UHaran, unyana kaTera, umninawa omkhulu ka-Abram, wazeka umfazi ngaloo mihla;
2 UHaran wayeneminyaka engamashumi amathathu anesithoba ubudala xa wamthabathayo, waza umfazi kaHaran wamitha, wazala unyana, waza wamthiya igama elinguLote.
3 Waphinda wamitha, wazala intombi, wayithiya igama elinguMilka; waphinda wamitha, wazala intombi, wayithiya igama elinguSarayi.
4 UHaran wayeneminyaka engamashumi amane anesibini ubudala xa wazala uSarayi, oko kukuthi ngonyaka weshumi wobomi buka-Abram; kwaye ngaloo mihla uAbram nonina nomondli wakhe baphuma emqolombeni, njengoko ukumkani nabantu bakhe babeyilibele into ka-Abram.
5 Kwaye xa uAbram waphuma emqolombeni, waya kuNowa nonyana wakhe uShem, wahlala nabo ukuze afunde umyalelo weNkosi neendlela zakhe, kwaye akukho mntu wayesazi apho uAbram wayekhona, kwaye uAbram wakhonza uNowa noShem unyana wakhe ixesha elide.
6 UAbram wahlala endlwini kaNowa iminyaka engamashumi amathathu anesithoba, uAbram wayazi iNkosi ukususela kwiminyaka emithathu ubudala, waza wahamba ngeendlela zeNkosi kwada kwayimini yokufa kwakhe, njengoko uNowa nonyana wakhe uShem babemfundisile; bonke oonyana bomhlaba ngaloo mihla bakreqa kakhulu kuYehova, baza bamvukela, bakhonza abanye oothixo, bamlibala uYehova owabadalayo emhlabeni; kwaye abemi bomhlaba bazenzela, ngelo xesha, elowo uthixo wakhe; oothixo bomthi namatye ababengenakuthetha, beva, okanye behlangula, kwaye oonyana babantu babakhonza, baba ngoothixo babo.
7 Ukumkani nabo bonke abakhonzi bakhe, noTera nayo yonke indlu yakhe, babe ngabokuqala kwabo babekhonza oothixo bomthi namatye.
8 UTera wayenoothixo abalishumi elinesibini abakhulu, abenziwe ngomthi nangamatye, emva kweenyanga ezilishumi elinesibini zonyaka, kwaye wayekhonza ngamnye inyanga nenyanga, kwaye inyanga nenyanga uTera wayezisa umnikelo wakhe wokudla nomnikelo othululwayo koothixo bakhe; wayesenza njalo uTera imihla yonke.
9 Kwaye sonke eso sizukulwana sasingendawo emehlweni eNkosi, baza ngaloo ndlela benza umntu ngamnye uthixo wakhe, kodwa bamshiya uYehova owabadalayo.
10 Kwaye akukho mntu wafunyanwa ngaloo mihla kulo lonke ihlabathi, owayemazi uYehova (kuba babekhonza ngamnye uThixo wakhe) ngaphandle kukaNowa nendlu yakhe, kwaye bonke abo babephantsi kwengcebiso yakhe babemazi uYehova ngaloo mihla.
11 UAbram unyana kaTera wayekhula emkhulu ngaloo mihla endlwini kaNowa, kwaye akukho mntu wayekwazi oko, kwaye iNkosi yayinaye.
12 Kwaye iNkosi yamnika uAbram intliziyo eqondayo, waza wayesazi ukuba yonke imisebenzi yeso sizukulwana yayililize, nokuba bonke oothixo babo babelilize kwaye bengento yanto.
13 UAbram walibona ilanga likhanya phezu komhlaba, waza uAbram wathi kuye Inene ngoku eli langa likhanya phezu komhlaba nguThixo, kwaye ndiya kumkhonza yena.
14 UAbram wakhonza ilanga ngaloo mini, wathandaza kuye, kwathi xa ilanga litshona njengesiqhelo, uAbram wathi ngaphakathi kuye, Ngaba lo akanakuba nguThixo?
15 UAbram waqhubeka ethetha ngaphakathi kwakhe, Ngubani na lowo wenza amazulu nomhlaba? Ngubani na owadala phezu komhlaba? Uphi yena?
16 Ubusuku bamgubungela, waphakamisa amehlo akhe entshona, emantla, emazantsi, nasempuma, wabona ukuba ilanga liphelile emhlabeni, nemini yaba mnyama.
17 UAbram wabona iinkwenkwezi nenyanga phambi kwakhe, waza wathi, Inene lo nguThixo owadala umhlaba wonke kunye nomntu, kwaye khangela aba bakhonzi bakhe ngoothixo abamngqongileyo: kwaye uAbram wakhonza inyanga waza wathandaza kuyo bonke obo busuku.
18 Kwathi kusasa, xa kwakukhanya, nelanga lakhanya emhlabeni njengesiqhelo, uAbram wazibona zonke izinto uYehova uThixo azenzileyo emhlabeni.
19 UAbram wathi kuye Inene aba asingoothixo abenza umhlaba nabo bonke abantu, kodwa ngaba bakhonzi bakaThixo, kwaye uAbram wahlala endlwini kaNowa kwaye apho wayeyazi iNkosi neendlela zayo 'waza wakhonza iNkosi yonke imihla yobomi bakhe, kwaye sonke eso sizukulwana samlibala iNkosi, sakhonza abanye oothixo bomthi namatye, saza savukela yonke imihla yaso.
20 Kwaye ukumkani uNimrod walawula ngokukhuselekileyo, kwaye wonke umhlaba wawuphantsi kolawulo lwakhe, kwaye wonke umhlaba wawunolwimi olunye namazwi amanyeneyo.
21 Zonke iinkosana zikaNimrod kunye namadoda akhe amakhulu bacebisana; uPhut, uMitzeraym, uKushi kunye noKanan kunye neentsapho zabo, bathi omnye komnye, Yizani sizakhele isixeko, sibe nenqaba eqinileyo kuso, incopho yaso ifikelele ezulwini, size sizenze sidume, ukuze silawule ihlabathi lonke, ukuze ububi beentshaba zethu buphele kuthi, ukuze silawule ngamandla phezu kwazo, kwaye singasasazeki emhlabeni ngenxa yeemfazwe zazo.
22 Bonke baya phambi kokumkani, bamxelela ukumkani la mazwi, waza ukumkani wavumelana nabo kweli tyala, waza wenza njalo.
23 Zonke iintsapho zahlanganisana, malunga namakhulu amathandathu amawaka amadoda, zaya kufuna indawo enkulu yokwakha isixeko nenqaba, zaza zafuna kulo lonke ihlabathi, kodwa azifumananga nto ifana nentlambo empuma yelizwe laseShinare, malunga nohambo lweentsuku ezimbini, zaza zahamba apho zahlala khona.

24 Baqala ukwenza izitena nokutshisa imililo ukuze bakhe isixeko kunye nenqaba ababecinga ukuyigqiba.
25 Kwaye ukwakhiwa kwenqaba kwaba lukreqo kubo nesono, baza baqalisa ukuyakha, kwaye ngelixa babesakha ngokuchasene neNkosi uThixo wamazulu, bacinga ezintliziyweni zabo ukulwa nayo baze banyuke baye ezulwini.
26 Bonke aba bantu nazo zonke iintsapho zahlukana zibe ngamacandelo amathathu; owokuqala wathi Siza kunyuka siye ezulwini size silwe naye; owesibini wathi, Siza kunyuka siye ezulwini size sibeke oothixo bethu apho size sibakhonze; kwaye owesithathu wathi, Siza kunyuka siye ezulwini size simbethe ngezaphetha nangemikhonto; kwaye uThixo wayesazi yonke imisebenzi yabo nazo zonke iingcinga zabo ezimbi, waza wabona isixeko nenqaba ababeyakha.
27 Kwaye xa babesakha bazakhela isixeko esikhulu nenqaba ende neyomeleleyo; kwaye ngenxa yokuphakama kwayo udaka nezitena azizange zifikelele kubakhi ekunyukeni kwabo kuyo, de abo babenyuka bagqiba unyaka wonke, kwaye emva koko, bafikelela kubakhi babanika udaka nezitena; njalo kwakusenziwa imihla ngemihla.
28 Kwaye khangelani aba benyuka kwaye abanye behla imini yonke; kwaye ukuba isitena singawa ezandleni zabo size saphuke, bonke babeya kusililela, kwaye ukuba umntu uwile aze afe, akukho namnye kubo owayeya kumjonga.
29 Kwaye iNkosi yayizazi iingcinga zabo, kwaye kwenzeka ukuba xa babesakha baphose iintolo emazulwini, kwaye zonke iintolo zawela phezu kwabo zizele ligazi, baza bakubabona bathi omnye komnye, Ngokuqinisekileyo sibabulele bonke abo basezulwini.
30 Kuba oku kwavela eNkosini ukuze kubaphambukise, kwaye kube ngokwesicwangciso; ukubatshabalalisa ebusweni bomhlaba.
31 Bakha inqaba kunye nesixeko, kwaye bakwenza oku imihla ngemihla kwada kwadlula iintsuku ezininzi neminyaka emininzi.
32 Waza uThixo wathi kwiingelosi ezingamashumi asixhenxe ezazimi phambi kwakhe, kwezo zazikufutshane naye, esithi, Yizani masihle size sidide ulwimi lwabo, ukuze umntu omnye angaluqondi ulwimi lommelwane wakhe, kwaye benza njalo kubo.
33 Ukususela ngaloo mini ilandelayo, balibalela ngamnye ulwimi lommelwane wakhe, kwaye babengenakukuqonda ukuthetha ngolwimi olunye, kwaye xa umakhi ethatha ezandleni zommelwane wakhe ikalika okanye ilitye angazange aliyalele, umakhi wayelilahla aze aliphose kummelwane wakhe, ukuze afe.
34 Benza njalo iintsuku ezininzi, baza babulala abaninzi babo ngolu hlobo.
35 Kwaye iNkosi yazibetha izigaba ezintathu ezazilapho, yaza yazohlwaya ngokwemisebenzi yazo nokuyila kwazo; abo bathi, Siya kunyuka siye ezulwini size sikhonze oothixo bethu, baba njengeenkawu neendlovu; abo bathi, Siya kubetha izulu ngeentolo, iNkosi yababulala, indoda enye ngesandla sommelwane wayo; kwaye iqela lesithathu labo bathi, Siya kunyuka siye ezulwini size silwe naye, iNkosi yabachithachitha emhlabeni wonke.
36 Abo babesele phakathi kwabo, bakuba besazi kwaye beqonda ububi obabuza kubafikela, basishiya isakhiwo, baza nabo basasazeka phezu komhlaba wonke.
37 Bayeka ukwakha isixeko nenqaba; ngenxa yoko wathi loo ndawo yiBhabheli, kuba apho iNkosi yaludubaduba ulwimi lomhlaba wonke; khangela, yayingasempuma yelizwe laseShinare.
38 Ngokuphathelele inqaba eyakhiwa ngabantwana babantu, umhlaba wavula umlomo wawo waza waginya isithathu sayo, nomlilo wehla uvela ezulwini waza watshisa esinye isithathu, kwaye esinye isithathu sisele unanamhla, kwaye sikwelo candelo laliphezulu, kwaye umjikelo walo uhamba iintsuku ezintathu.
39 Kwaye uninzi loonyana babantu bafa kuloo nqaba, abantu abangenakubalwa.

ISAHLUKO 10

1 Wafa ke uPelege, unyana kaEbhere, ngaloo mihla, ngomnyaka wamashumi amane anesibhozo wobomi buka-Abram unyana kaTera. Yonke imihla kaPelege yaba yiminyaka emakhulu mabini anamanci mathathu anesithoba.
2 Kwaye xa iNkosi yabachithachitha oonyana babantu ngenxa yesono sabo enqabeni, khangelani basasazeka baba ngamaqela amaninzi, kwaye bonke oonyana babantu basasazeka kwiimbombo zone zomhlaba.
3 Zonke iintsapho zaba nganye ngokwelwimi lwayo, ilizwe layo, okanye isixeko sayo.
4 Kwaye oonyana babantu bakha izixeko ezininzi ngokweentsapho zabo, kuzo zonke iindawo ababehamba kuzo, nakulo lonke ilizwe apho uYehova wayebasasaze khona.
5 Kwaye abanye babo bakha izixeko kwiindawo apho bagxothwa khona emva koko, baza bazibiza ezi zixeko ngamagama abo, okanye amagama abantwana babo, okanye ngokweziganeko zabo ezithile.
6 Kwaye oonyana bakaYafete, unyana kaNowa, bahamba bazakhela izixeko kwiindawo ababesasazeke kuzo, baza bazibiza zonke izixeko zabo ngamagama azo, baza oonyana bakaYafete bahlukana phezu komhlaba baba ziintlabathi ezininzi neelwimi.
7 Ngabo aba oonyana bakaYafete ngokwemizalwane yabo: uGomere, uMagogi, uMedayi, uYavan, uTubhali, uMesheki, noTirasi; ngabo abo oonyana bakaYafete ngokwezizukulwana zabo.
8 Kwaye oonyana bakaGomere, ngokwemizi yabo, yayingamaFrancum, awayehlala kwilizwe laseFranza, ngasemlanjeni iFranza, ngasemlanjeni iSena.
9 Kwaye oonyana bakaRefathi ngamaBartonim, ahlala kwilizwe laseBartonim ecaleni komlambo iLeda, othulula amanzi awo kulwandle olukhulu iGihon, oko kukuthi, i-Oceanus.
10 Oonyana bakaTugarma babeziintsapho ezilishumi, yaye la ngamagama abo: uBuzar, uParzunac, uBalgar, uElicanum, uRagbib, uTarki, uBhid, uZebhuc, uOngal noTilmaz; bonke aba basasazeke baza bahlala emantla baza bazakhela izixeko.
11 Bazibiza izixeko zabo ngamagama abo, abo bahlala ecaleni komlambo iHitela neItalaki kude kube namhlanje.

12 Kodwa iintsapho zaseAngoli, eBalgar naseParzunac, zihlala ecaleni komlambo omkhulu iDubnee; kwaye amagama ezixeko zazo nawo ahambelana namagama azo.
13 Kwaye oonyana bakaYavan ngamaYavan ahlala kwilizwe laseMakdoniya, kwaye oonyana bakaMedaiyare ngamaOrelum ahlala kwilizwe laseKurson, kwaye oonyana bakaTubhali ngabo ahlala kwilizwe laseTuskana ecaleni komlambo iPashiya.
14 Kwaye oonyana bakaMesheki ngamaShibashni kwaye oonyana bakaTiras nguRushash, uKushni, no-Ongolis; bonke aba baya bazakhela izixeko; ezo zizixeko ezimi ngaselwandle iJabus ecaleni komlambo iCura, ozithululela kumlambo iTragan.
15 Kwaye oonyana bakaElisha ngama-Almanim, kwaye nabo baya bazakhela izixeko; ezo zizixeko ezimi phakathi kweentaba zikaYobhi neShibathmo; kwaye kuzo kwakukho abantu baseLumbardi ababehlala malunga neentaba zikaYobhi neShibathmo, baza boyisa ilizwe lase-Itali baza bahlala apho kude kube namhla.
16 Kwaye oonyana bakaKitim ngamaRom ahlala kwintlambo yaseCanopia ecaleni komlambo iTibreu.
17 Kwaye oonyana bakaDudonim ngabo bahlala kwizixeko zolwandle iGihon, kwilizwe laseBordna.
18 Ezi ziintsapho zoonyana bakaYafete ngokwezixeko zabo neelwimi zabo, xa babesasazeke emva kwenqaba, baza bazibiza izixeko zabo ngamagama azo neziganeko zazo; kwaye la ngamagama azo zonke izixeko zabo ngokweentsapho zabo, abazakhayo ngaloo mihla emva kwenqaba.
19 Oonyana bakaHam nguKushi, noMitzerayim, noPuti, noKanan, ngokwezizukulwana zabo, nemizi yabo.
20 Bonke abo bemka bazakhela imizi ngokweendawo abazifunela zona, baza bayibiza imizi yabo ngamagama ooyise uKushi, uMitsirayim, uPuti noKanan.
21 Oonyana bakaMitserayim ngamaLudi, ama-Anam, amaLehabhi, amaNafetuchim, amaPatrusim, amaKasluchim namaKafturim, iintsapho ezisixhenxe.
22 Bonke aba bahlala ecaleni komlambo iSihore, umlambo waseYiputa, bazakhela imizi, bayibiza ngamagama abo.
23 Oonyana bakaPatrosi noKasloki batshata, kwaphuma kubo amaFilisti, amaAzatim, namaGerarim, amaGitim namaEkron, zonke ezi ntsapho zintlanu; nabo bazakhela imizi, baza bayibiza imizi yabo ngamagama ooyise unanamhla.
24 Kwaye abantwana bakwaKanan nabo bazakhela izixeko, baza bazibiza izixeko zabo ngamagama azo, izixeko ezilishumi elinanye nezinye ezingenakubalwa.
25 Amadoda amane avela kusapho lakwaHam aya kwilizwe lethafa; la ngamagama amadoda amane, iSodom, iGomora, iAdama, neTsebhoyim.
26 Aba bantu bazakhela izixeko ezine kwilizwe lethafa, baza bazibiza ngamagama azo izixeko zabo.
27 Bona nabantwana babo nabo bonke ababanabo bahlala kwezo zixeko, baza bachuma baza banda kakhulu baza bahlala ngoxolo.
28 USeyire, unyana kaHure, unyana kaHivi, unyana kaKanan, waya wafumana intlambo malunga neNtaba iParan, wakha umzi apho, wahlala khona, yena noonyana bakhe abasixhenxe, nendlu yakhe, wathi igama lomzi awawakhayo yiSeyire, ngegama lakhe; yilo elo ilizwe laseSeyire unanamhla.
29 Zizo ezo iintsapho zoonyana bakaHam, ngokweelwimi zabo, nangokwemizi yabo, xa bachithachitheka baya kumazwe abo emva kwenqaba.
30 Abanye babantwana bakaShem unyana kaNowa, uyise wabo bonke oonyana bakaEbhere, nabo baya bazakhela imizi kwiindawo ababesasazeke kuzo, baza bayibiza imizi yabo ngamagama ayo.
31 Oonyana bakaShem yayinguElam, noAshuri, noArpakishadi, noLudi, noAram, bazakhela izixeko baza bazibiza ngamagama azo zonke izixeko zabo.
32 UAshur unyana kaShem nabantwana bakhe nendlu yakhe baphuma ngelo xesha, bebaninzi kakhulu, baya kwilizwe elikude abalifumeneyo, baza badibana nentlambo ebanzi kakhulu kwilizwe ababesiya kulo, baza bazakhela izixeko ezine, baza bazibiza ngamagama abo nangeziganeko zabo.
33 Ngawo la amagama emizi abayakhayo oonyana baka-Ashuri: iNineve, neResen, neKalaki, neRehobhore; bahlala khona oonyana baka-Ashuri unanamhla.
34 Oonyana baka-Aram nabo baya bazakhela umzi, baza bawubiza loo mzi ngokuthi yi-Utse, bewubiza ngegama lomkhuluwa wabo, bahlala kuwo; yilo ilizwe lase-Utse unanamhla.
35 Ngomnyaka wesibini emva kwenqaba, indoda yendlu ka-Ashuri, egama linguBhela, yasuka ezweni laseNineve, yaya kuhlala nendlu yayo naphi na apho yayinokufumana khona indawo; bafika malunga nezixeko zasethafeni eliphambi kweSodom, bahlala khona.
36 Wasuka loo mntu, wakha umzi omncinci apho, wathi igama lawo yiBhela, ngegama lakhe; yilo ilizwe laseTsohare unanamhla.
37 Zizo ezi iintsapho zoonyana bakaShem ngokolwimi lwabo, nezixeko zabo, emva kokuba besasazeke emhlabeni emva kwenqaba.
38 Kwaye zonke izikumkani, izixeko, kunye nosapho lweentsapho zabantwana bakaNowa zazakhela izixeko ezininzi emva koku.
39 Kwaye bamisela oorhulumente kuzo zonke izixeko zabo, ukuze balawulwe yimiyalelo yabo; benza njalo ke zonke iintsapho zabantwana bakaNowa ngonaphakade.

ISAHLUKO 11

1 Ke kaloku uNimrodi, unyana kaKushi, wayesesezweni laseShinare, wahlala kulo, wakha imizi ezweni laseShinare.
2 La ngamagama ezixeko ezine awazakhayo, waza wazibiza ngamagama azo ngokweziganeko ezenzekileyo kuzo ekwakhiweni kwenqaba.
3 Wayibiza eyokuqala ngokuthi yiBhabheli, esithi, Ngenxa yokuba uYehova waludubaduba apho ulwimi lwehlabathi lonke; waza igama leyesibini walibiza ngokuba yiEreki, kuba uThixo wabasasaza apho.
4 Kwaye owesithathu wambiza ngokuba nguEked, esithi kwakukho idabi elikhulu kuloo ndawo; kwaye owesine wambiza ngokuba nguKalna, kuba iinkosana zakhe namadoda anamandla batshatyalaliswa apho, baza bamcaphukisa uYehova, bavukela baza baphambuka kuye.
5 Kwaye xa uNimrod wayesakhe ezi zixeko kwilizwe laseShinare, wabeka kuzo intsalela yabantu bakhe, iinkosana zakhe namadoda akhe anamandla awayesele ebukumkanini bakhe.

6 UNimrodi wahlala eBhabheli, waza apho wavuselela ulawulo lwakhe phezu kwabanye abantu bakhe, waza walawula ngokukhuselekileyo, baza abantu kunye neenkosana zikaNimrodi bamthiya igama elinguAmrafele, besithi enqabeni iinkosana zakhe namadoda akhe bawa ngamandla akhe.
7 Nangona kunjalo, uNimrod akazange abuyele eNkosini, waqhubeka ebubini kwaye efundisa ububi koonyana babantu; kwaye uMardon, unyana wakhe, wayembi kunoyise, kwaye waqhubeka nokongeza kumasikizi kayise.
8 Wabangela ukuba oonyana babantu bone, ngenxa yoko kuthiwa, Kwabangendawo kuphuma ubungendawo.
9 Ngelo xesha kwabakho imfazwe phakathi kweentsapho zoonyana bakaHam, njengoko babehlala emizini ababeyakhile.
10 UKedorlahomere, ukumkani wakwaElam, wemka kwiintsapho zoonyana bakaHam, walwa nabo waza waboyisa, waya kwizixeko ezihlanu zethafa waza walwa nabo waza waboyisa, baza baba phantsi kolawulo lwakhe.
11 Bamkhonza iminyaka elishumi elinesibini, bamnika irhafu yonyaka.
12 Wafa ngelo xesha uNahore, unyana kaSerugi, ngomnyaka wamashumi amane anesithoba wobomi buka-Abram unyana kaTera.
13 Ngomnyaka wamashumi amahlanu wobomi buka-Abram unyana kaTera, uAbram waphuma endlwini kaNowa, waya endlwini kayise.
14 UAbram wayeyazi iNkosi, waza wahamba ngeendlela zakhe nemiyalelo yakhe, kwaye iNkosi uThixo wakhe yayinaye.
15 Uyise uTera ngaloo mihla wayesengumphathi womkhosi kakumkani uNimrod, kwaye wayesalandela oothixo basemzini.
16 UAbram wafika endlwini kayise waza wabona oothixo abalishumi elinesibini bemi apho ezitempileni zabo, waza umsindo kaAbram wavutha xa wabona le mifanekiso endlwini kayise.
17 Wathi uAbram, Njengoko iNkosi ihleli, le mifanekiso ayisayi kuhlala endlwini kabawo; iNkosi eyandidalayo iya kwenza njalo kum ukuba kwiintsuku ezintathu andiyi kuziqhekeza zonke.
18 UAbram wemka kubo, umsindo wakhe wavutha ngaphakathi kuye. Wakhawuleza uAbram wemka egumbini waya entendelezweni engaphandle kayise, waza wafumana uyise ehleli entendelezweni, nazo zonke izicaka zakhe zikunye naye, waza uAbram weza wahlala phambi kwakhe.
19 UAbram wabuza uyise, esithi, Bawo, ndixelele ukuba uphi na uThixo owadala izulu nomhlaba, nabo bonke oonyana babantu emhlabeni, owadala wena nam? UTera wamphendula unyana wakhe uAbram wathi, Yabona abo basidalileyo bakunye nathi endlwini.
20 Wathi uAbram kuyise, Nkosi yam, ndibonise zona; waza uTera wamsa uAbram egumbini lentendelezo engaphakathi, uAbram wabona, nanko lonke igumbi lizele ngoothixo bomthi namatye, imifanekiso emikhulu elishumi elinesibini kunye neminye embalwa kunabo engenakubalwa.
21 Wathi uTera kunyana wakhe, Yabona, aba ngabo benza konke okubonayo emhlabeni, abandidalileyo mna nawe, nabo bonke abantu.
22 UTera waqubuda koothixo bakhe, waza wemka kubo, noAbram, unyana wakhe, wemka naye.
23 Akuba uAbram emkile kubo waya kunina waza wahlala phambi kwakhe, wathi kunina, Khangela, ubawo undibonisile abo benza izulu nomhlaba, nabo bonke oonyana babantu.
24 Khawulezani ke ngoku, nize netakane lebhokhwe emhlambini, nilenze inyama emnandi, ukuze ndilizise koothixo bakabawo, libe ngumnikelo kubo, mhlawumbi ndingonwaba ngabo.
25 Unina wenza njalo, wathabatha itakane lebhokhwe, wenza isidlo esimnandi, walizisa kuAbram; uAbram wathabatha isidlo esimnandi kunina, wasizisa phambi koothixo bakayise, wasondela kubo, badla; ke yena uTera uyise wayengazi.
26 Wabona uAbram ngaloo mini wayehleli phakathi kwabo, ukuba abanalizwi, abanakuva, abanakunyakaza, kungekho namnye kubo onokusolula isandla sakhe ukuba adle.
27 UAbram wahlekisa ngabo, wathi, Inene, inyama emnandi endiyilungisileyo ayibakholisanga, okanye mhlawumbi yayincinci kakhulu kubo, kwaye ngenxa yeso sizathu abavumanga ukuyidla; ngoko ke ngomso ndiza kulungisa inyama entsha emnandi, engcono neninzi kunale, ukuze ndibone isiphumo.
28 Kwathi ngengomso uAbram wayalela unina ngokutya okumnandi, unina wavuka wathabatha amatakane amathathu amahle emhlambini, wawenzela kuwo ukutya okumnandi okumnandi, oko wayekuthanda unyana wakhe, wanika uAbram unyana wakhe; uTera uyise wayengazi.
29 UAbram wathabatha ukudla okumnandi kunina, wakusa phambi koothixo bakayise egumbini; wasondela kubo ukuba badle, wakubeka phambi kwabo; wahlala phambi kwabo imini yonke, ecinga ukuba mhlawumbi bangadla.
30 UAbram wawajonga, khangela, ayengenalizwi, engeva, kungekho namnye kuwo olula isandla sakhe enyameni ukuba adle.
31 Kwaye ngokuhlwa ngaloo mini kuloo ndlu uAbram wayembethe umoya kaThixo.
32 Waza wamemeza wathi, Yeha kubawo nesi sizukulwana singendawo, esintliziyo zaso zonke zityekele ekuzikhukhumaleni, esikhonza ezi zithixo zomthi nelitye ezingenako ukutya, ukuvumba, ukuva okanye ukuthetha, ezinemilomo engenakuthetha, amehlo angaboniyo, iindlebe ezingevayo, izandla ezingenamvakalelo, nemilenze engenakunyakaza; banjengabo abo bazenzileyo nabakholose ngazo.
33 Wathi uAbram akuzibona zonke ezi zinto, umsindo wakhe wavutha kuyise, wakhawuleza wathabatha imela ngesandla sakhe, waya kwigumbi loothixo, waza waphula bonke oothixo bakayise.
34 Akuba egqibile ukwaphula imifanekiso eqingqiweyo, wabeka imela esandleni sothixo omkhulu owayelapho phambi kwabo, waza waphuma; waza uTera uyise wafika ekhaya, kuba wayeve emnyango isandi sokubethwa kwemela; ngoko ke uTera wangena endlwini ukuze aqonde ukuba oku kumalunga nantoni na.
35 UTera, akusiva isandi seembande egumbini lemifanekiso eqingqiweyo, wabaleka waya egumbini lemifanekiso eqingqiweyo, wadibana noAbram ephuma.

36 UTera wangena egumbini waza wafumana zonke izithixo ziwile zaza zaphuka, nentloko esandleni seyona inkulu, eyayingaphukanga, nenyama emnandi awayeyenzile uAbram unyana wakhe yayisekho phambi kwazo.
37 Wathi uTera akukubona oku umsindo wakhe wavutha kakhulu, wakhawuleza wemka egumbini waya kuAbram.
38 Wafumana uAbram unyana wakhe ehleli endlwini, wathi kuye, Yintoni na le uyenzileyo koothixo bam?
39 UAbram wamphendula uTera uyise, wathi, Hayi, nkosi yam, ndibaphathele inyama emnandi, ndaza ndasondela kubo nenyama abanokuyidla, bonke basuka bolula izandla zabo ukuba batye ngaphambi kokuba omkhulu asolule isandla sakhe ukuba adle.
40 Kwaye enkulu yabona imisebenzi yabo ababeyenza phambi kwayo, kwaye umsindo wayo wavutha kakhulu kubo, waza waya kuthabatha ingcongolo eyayisendlwini waza weza kubo wazaphula zonke, kwaye khangela ingcongolo isesesandleni sayo njengoko ubonayo.
41 Wavutha umsindo kaTera kuAbram unyana wakhe, akuba ethethile la mazwi, wathi uTera kuAbram unyana wakhe enomsindo, Yintoni na le nto uyithethileyo? Undixokisa?
42 Ngaba kukho umoya, umphefumlo okanye amandla kwaba thixo okwenza konke ondixelele kona? Abangomthi namatye, kwaye andizange ndibenze mna, kwaye ungathetha ubuxoki obunje, uthi uthixo omkhulu owayenabo wababetha? Nguwe owabeka imela ezandleni zakhe, waza wathi ubabethe bonke.
43 UAbram wamphendula uyise wathi, Ungathini na ke ngoko ukukhonza ezi zithixo zingenawo amandla okwenza nantoni na? Ngaba ezo zithixo uzithembileyo zingakunceda na? Ngaba zingayiva na imithandazo yakho xa uzibiza? Ngaba zingakunceda na ezandleni zeentshaba zakho, okanye zingakulwela iimfazwe zakho ngenxa yeentshaba zakho, ukuze ukhonze umthi nelitye ezingenakuthetha okanye ezingevayo?
44 Kwaye ngoku ngokuqinisekileyo akulunganga kuwe nakubantwana babantu abanxulumene nawe, ukwenza ezi zinto; ngaba usisiphukuphuku kangaka, usisiphukuphuku okanye uswele ukuqonda kangangokuba uza kukhonza umthi nelitye, uze wenze ngolu hlobo?
45 Kwaye nilibale iNkosi uThixo owenza izulu nomhlaba, nowanidalayo emhlabeni, waza ngaloo ndlela wazisa ububi obukhulu phezu kwemiphefumlo yenu kule nto ngokukhonza amatye nomthi?
46 Oobawo bethu ngemihla yamandulo abazange bone kule nto, kwaye iNkosi uThixo wendalo iphela yazisa amanzi kanogumbe phezu kwabo yaza yatshabalalisa umhlaba wonke?
47 Kwaye ningaqhubeka njani nikwenza oku nize nikhonze oothixo bomthi namatye, abangenakuva, okanye abathetha, okanye abanihlangulayo kwingcinezelo, ngaloo ndlela behlisela umsindo kaThixo wendalo iphela phezu kwenu?
48 Ngoko ke, ubawo, khawuyeke oku, ungawenzisi ububi umphefumlo wakho nomphefumlo wendlu yakho.
49 UAbram wakhawuleza waza wemka phambi koyise, waza wathabatha iqhenqa kwisithixo esikhulu sikayise, awasiqhekeza ngaso uAbram waza wabaleka.
50 UTera, ebona konke uAbram akwenzileyo, wakhawuleza ukuphuma endlwini yakhe, waya kukumkani, weza phambi kukaNimrod, wema phambi kwakhe, waqubuda kukumkani; ukumkani wathi, Ufuna ntoni na?
51 Wathi, Ndiyakubongoza nkosi yam, ukuba undive— Ngoku kwiminyaka engamashumi amahlanu eyadlulayo ndizalelwe umntwana, kwaye wenze ngolu hlobo koothixo bam waza wathetha ngolu hlobo; ngoko ke, nkosi yam nokumkani, thumela ukuba eze phambi kwakho, umgwebe ngokomthetho, ukuze sihlangulwe ebubini bakhe.
52 Ukumkani wathumela amadoda amathathu kubakhonzi bakhe, baza baya kumzisa uAbram phambi kokumkani. UNimrodi kunye nazo zonke iinkosana zakhe nabakhonzi bakhe babehleli phambi kwakhe ngaloo mini, noTera naye wayehleli phambi kwabo.
53 Ukumkani wathi kuAbram, Yintoni na le uyenzileyo kuyihlo nakoothixo bakhe? UAbram wamphendula ukumkani ngamazwi awawathethayo kuyise, wathi, Uthixo omkhulu owayenabo endlwini wenze kubo oko ukuvileyo.
54 Ukumkani wathi kuAbram, “Babenalo na igunya lokuthetha nokutya nokwenza njengoko utshilo?” UAbram wamphendula ukumkani, esithi, “Ukuba akukho gunya kubo, kutheni ubakhonza nje, ubangele ukuba oonyana babantu balahlekiswe bububenge bakho?”
55 Ucinga ukuba banokukuhlangula okanye benze nantoni na encinci okanye enkulu, ukuze ubakhonze? Kwaye kutheni ungamqondi uThixo wendalo iphela, owakudalayo kwaye ngamandla akhe ukubulala nokugcina uphila?
56 0 kumkani osisiyatha, ongenalwazi, nongenalwazi, yeha kuwe ngonaphakade.
57 Bendicinga ukuba uza kubafundisa abakhonzi bakho indlela ethe tye, kodwa akwenzanga oku, kodwa uzalise umhlaba wonke ngezono zakho nangezono zabantu bakho abalandele iindlela zakho.
58 Awazi na, okanye awuvanga na, ukuba obu bubi ubenzayo, ookhokho bethu bona kubo ngemihla yakudala, waza uThixo ongunaphakade wazisa amanzi kanogumbe phezu kwabo waza wabatshabalalisa bonke, waza watshabalalisa nomhlaba wonke ngenxa yabo? Ngaba wena nabantu bakho niya kusukuma ngoku nize nenze njengalo msebenzi, ukuze nithobe umsindo weNkosi uThixo wendalo iphela, nize nizise ububi phezu kwenu nakumhlaba wonke?
59 Ke ngoko lahla esi senzo sibi osenzayo, uze ukhonze uThixo wendalo iphela, njengoko umphefumlo wakho usezandleni zakhe, uze emva koko ulungelwe.
60 Kwaye ukuba intliziyo yakho embi ayifuni ukuwaphulaphula amazwi am okukubangela ukuba ushiye iindlela zakho ezimbi, uze ukhonze uThixo ongunaphakade, ngoko uya kufa uneentloni ngemihla yokugqibela, wena, abantu bakho nabo bonke abanxulumene nawe, nive amazwi akho okanye nihamba ngeendlela zakho ezimbi.
61 Akuba uAbram egqibile ukuthetha phambi kokumkani neenkosana, uAbram waphakamisa amehlo akhe ezulwini, wathi, INkosi iyababona bonke abangendawo, kwaye iya kubagweba.

ISAHLUKO 12

1 Wathi ukumkani akukuva oko, wayalela ukuba afakwe entolongweni; uAbram wahlala entolongweni iintsuku ezilishumi.

2 Ekupheleni kwaloo mihla ukumkani wayalela ukuba beze phambi kwakhe bonke ookumkani, iinkosana, nabalawuli bamaphondo ahlukeneyo, nezilumko, bahlale phambi kwakhe, uAbram wayesesendlwini yokuvalelwa entolongweni.
3 Waza ukumkani wathi kwiinkosana nezilumko, Nivile na oko uAbram, unyana kaTera, akwenzileyo kuyise? Wenze njalo kuye, ndaza ndayalela ukuba aziswe phambi kwam, waza wathetha ngolu hlobo; intliziyo yakhe ayizange imlahle, kwaye akazange avuse phambi kwam, kwaye ngoku uvalelwe entolongweni.
4 Ngoko ke gqibani ukuba lo mntu uthuke ukumkani, othethe waza wenza zonke izinto enizivileyo, uza kugwetywa ngantoni na.
5 Bonke baphendula ukumkani besithi, Umntu othuka ukumkani makaxhonywe emthini; kodwa emva kokuba ekwenzile konke akuthethileyo, kwaye edelele oothixo bethu, makatshiswe afe, kuba lo ngumthetho kule nto.
6 Ukuba kuthe kwalunga kukumkani ukwenza oku, makayalele abakhonzi bakhe ukuba batshise umlilo ubusuku nemini esithandweni sakho sezitena, size ke simphose lo mntu kuso.” Ukumkani wenza njalo, waza wayalela abakhonzi bakhe ukuba balungise umlilo iintsuku ezintathu nobusuku obuthathu esithandweni sokumkani, esiseKasdim; waza ukumkani wabayalela ukuba bamkhuphe uAbram entolongweni baze bamkhuphe ukuze bamtshise.
7 Bonke abakhonzi bokumkani, iinkosana, neenkosi, nabalawuli, nabagwebi, nabo bonke abemi belizwe, malunga namakhulu alithoba amawaka amadoda, bema phambi kweziko lomlilo ukuze babone uAbram.
8 Bonke abafazi nabantwana bahlanganisana phezu kweendlu neenqaba ukuze babone ukuba kwenzeka ntoni kuAbram, baza bonke bema ndawonye mgama; akwasala mntu ungazange eze ngaloo mini ukuze abone loo nto.
9 Akufika uAbram, iingcali zokumkani nezilumko zambona uAbram, zaza zadanduluka kukumkani, zisithi, Nkosi yethu ebalaseleyo, ngokuqinisekileyo le yindoda esiyaziyo ukuba yayingumntwana inkwenkwezi enkulu eyathi ekuzalweni kwakhe yaginya iinkwenkwezi ezine, esazixela kukumkani ngoku kwiminyaka engamashumi amahlanu ukususela ngoko.
10 Kwaye khangela ngoku uyise naye uphule imiyalelo yakho, waza wakuhleka ngokukuzisela omnye umntwana, owambulalayo.
11 Akuba ukumkani eve amazwi abo, waba nomsindo kakhulu, waza wayalela ukuba uTera aziswe phambi kwakhe.
12 Ukumkani wathi, Ngaba ukuvile oko kuthethwe ngabavumisi? Ndixelele inyani, wenze njani; kwaye ukuba uthetha inyaniso uya kukhululwa.
13 Akubona ukuba umsindo wokumkani wawuvutha kakhulu, uTera wathi kukumkani: “Nkosi yam, kumkani, uyivile inyaniso, kwaye oko kuthethwe zizilumko kulungile.” Ukumkani wathi: “Ungayenza njani le nto, ugqithe imiyalelo yam, undinike umntwana ongamzalanga, uze umthathele ixabiso?”
14 Wathi uTera kukumkani, Kungokuba iimvakalelo zam zazivutha ngenxa yonyana wam ngelo xesha, ndathabatha unyana kumkhonzazana wam, ndamzisa kukumkani.
15 Ukumkani wathi, Ngubani na okucebise ngale nto? Ndixelele, ungandifihleli nto, ukuze ungafi.
16 UTera woyika kakhulu phambi kokumkani, wathi kukumkani, NguHaran unyana wam omkhulu owandinika icebiso ngale nto; kwaye ngaloo mihla uHaran wazalwa uAbram, eneminyaka engamashumi amathathu anesibini ubudala.
17 Kodwa uHaran akamcebisanga uyise nantoni na, kuba uTera wathetha oku kukumkani ukuze asindise umphefumlo wakhe kukumkani, kuba wayesoyika kakhulu; waza ukumkani wathi kuTera, UHaran unyana wakho okucebise ngale nto uya kufa ngomlilo noAbram; kuba isigwebo sokufa siphezu kwakhe ngenxa yokuvukela umnqweno wokumkani ngokwenza le nto.
18 UHaran ngelo xesha waziva ethanda ukulandela iindlela zika-Abram, kodwa wazigcina ngaphakathi kuye.
19 Wathi uHaran entliziyweni yakhe, Yabona, ukumkani umthathile uAbram ngenxa yezi zinto azenzileyo uAbram, kwaye kuya kwenzeka ukuba, ukuba uAbram uyamoyisa ukumkani, ndiya kumlandela, kodwa ukuba ukumkani uyamoyisa ndiya kumlandela ukumkani.
20 Akuba uTera ethethile oku kukumkani malunga noHaran unyana wakhe, ukumkani wayalela ukuba uHaran abanjwe kunye noAbram.
21 Babazisa bobabini, uAbram noHaran umntakwabo, ukuze babaphose emlilweni; bonke abemi belizwe, nabakhonzi bokumkani, neenkosana, nabo bonke abafazi nabantwana, bemi phezu kwabo ngaloo mini.
22 Kwaye izicaka zokumkani zamthabatha uAbram nomntakwabo, baza babahluba zonke iimpahla zabo ngaphandle kweengubo zabo zangaphantsi ezazibanxibile.
23 Bazibopha izandla neenyawo zabo ngeentambo zelinen, baza abakhonzi bokumkani babaphakamisa babaphosa bobabini eziko.
24 Kwaye iNkosi yamthanda uAbram, yaza yamvela inceba, yaza iNkosi yehla yamhlangula uAbram emlilweni, akatsha.
25 Kodwa zonke iintambo ababembophe ngazo zatsha, uAbram wahlala ehambahamba emlilweni.
26 Wafa uHaran xa bamphosa emlilweni, watsha waba luthuthu, kuba intliziyo yakhe yayingagqibelelanga kuYehova; kwaye abo bantu bamphosa emlilweni, ilangabi lomlilo lasasazeka phezu kwabo, batsha, kwaye amadoda alishumi elinesibini kubo afa.
27 UAbram wahamba phakathi komlilo iintsuku ezintathu nobusuku obuthathu, baza bonke abakhonzi bokumkani bambona ehamba emlilweni, beza bamxelela ukumkani, besithi, Yabonani, simbonile uAbram ehamba phakathi komlilo, neengubo zakhe zangaphantsi azitshanga, kodwa intambo awayebotshwe ngayo itshile.
28 Wathi ukumkani akuweva amazwi abo intliziyo yakhe yatyhafa, akabakholelwa; ngoko ke wathumela ezinye iinkosana ezithembekileyo ukuba ziyokubona oku, baza baya kukubona baza bakuxelela ukumkani; waza ukumkani wasukuma ukuba aye kukubona, waza wabona uAbram ehambahamba phakathi komlilo, waza wabona isidumbu sikaHaran sitsha, waza ukumkani wamangaliswa kakhulu.
29 Ukumkani wayalela ukuba uAbram akhutshwe emlilweni; baza abakhonzi bakhe basondela ukuze bamkhuphe kodwa abazange bakwazi, kuba umlilo

wawujikeleze kwaye ilangabi lalinyuka lisiya kubo livela eziko.
30 Abakhonzi bokumkani basaba kuyo, waza ukumkani wabakhalimela, esithi, Khawulezani nimkhuphe uAbram emlilweni ukuze ningafi.
31 Baphinda abakhonzi bokumkani basondela ukuza kukhupha uAbram, ilangatye labatshisa ubuso babo kangangokuba abasibhozo bafa.
32 Xa ukumkani wabona ukuba abakhonzi bakhe abanakusondela emlilweni hleze batshiswe, ukumkani wabiza uAbram, Owu mkhonzi kaThixo osezulwini, phuma phakathi komlilo uze apha phambi kwam; waza uAbram waliphulaphula ilizwi lokumkani, waza waphuma emlilweni weza wema phambi kokumkani.
33 Akuba uAbram ephumile ukumkani nazo zonke izicaka zakhe bambona uAbram esiza phambi kokumkani, enxibe izambatho zakhe zangaphantsi, kuba zazingatshanga, kodwa intambo awayebotshwe ngayo yayitshile.
34 Wathi ukumkani kuAbram, Kutheni ungatshanga emlilweni?
35 Wathi uAbram kukumkani, UThixo wezulu nomhlaba endimthembayo, onamandla onke, undihlangule emlilweni ondiphose kuwo.
36 Kwaye uHaran umntakwabo Abram watshiswa waba luthuthu, baza bafuna isidumbu sakhe, baza basifumana sitshisiwe.
37 UHaran wayeneminyaka engamashumi asibhozo anesibini ubudala xa wafa emlilweni waseKasim. Ukumkani, iinkosana, nabemi belo lizwe, bebona ukuba uAbram uhlangulwe emlilweni, beza baqubuda kuAbram.
38 Wathi uAbram kubo, Musani ukuqubuda kum, kodwa qubudani kuThixo wehlabathi owanenzayo, nize nimkhonze, nize nihambe ngeendlela zakhe kuba nguye owandihlangulayo kulo mlilo, kwaye nguye owadala imiphefumlo nemimoya yabo bonke abantu, waza wadala umntu esizalweni sikanina, waza wamzisa ehlabathini, kwaye nguye oya kubahlangula abo bathembele kuye kuzo zonke iintlungu.
39 Kwaye le nto yabonakala imangalisa kakhulu emehlweni okumkani neenkosana, ukuba uAbram wasinda emlilweni nokuba uHaran watsha; waza ukumkani wanika uAbram izipho ezininzi waza wamnika izicaka zakhe ezibini eziyintloko ezivela endlwini yokumkani; igama lomnye yayinguOni kwaye igama lomnye yayinguEliyezere.
40 Bonke ookumkani, iinkosana kunye nabakhonzi banika uAbram izipho ezininzi zesilivere negolide neeperile, waza ukumkani kunye neenkosana zakhe bamndulula, waza wahamba ngoxolo.
41 UAbram waphuma ekumkanini ngoxolo, kwaye uninzi lwabakhonzi bokumkani bamlandela, kwaye amadoda amalunga namakhulu amathathu amlandela.
42 Wabuya uAbram ngaloo mini, waya endlwini kayise, yena namadoda akhe amlandelayo; uAbram wamkhonza uYehova uThixo wakhe yonke imihla yobomi bakhe, wahamba ngeendlela zakhe, walandela umyalelo wakhe.
43 Ukususela ngaloo mini uAbram wazityekisa iintliziyo zoonyana babantu ukuba bakhonze uYehova.
44 Ngelo xesha uNahore noAbram bazithathela abafazi, iintombi zomntakwabo uHaran; umfazi kaNahore yayinguMilka, igama lomka-Abram lalinguSarayi. USarayi, umfazi ka-Abram, wayeludlolo; wayengenabantwana ngaloo mihla.
45 Kwathi ekupheleni kweminyaka emibini ukususela ekuphumeni kuka-Abram emlilweni, oko kukuthi, kunyaka wamashumi amahlanu anesibini wobomi bakhe, ukumkani uNimrodi wayehleli eBhabheli etroneni, waza ukumkani walala waza waphupha emi nemikhosi yakhe kunye nemikhosi yakhe entlanjeni ejongene nesithando somlilo sokumkani.
46 Waphakamisa amehlo akhe, wabona indoda efana noAbram iphuma eziko, yaza yeza yema phambi kokumkani inekrele layo elirholiweyo, yaza yatsiba yaya kukumkani inekrele layo, xa ukumkani wayebaleka kuloo ndoda, kuba wayesoyika; kwaye ngelixa wayebaleka, indoda yaphosa iqanda entlokweni yokumkani, kwaye iqanda laba ngumlambo omkhulu.
47 Ukumkani waphupha ukuba onke amajoni akhe atshona kuloo mlambo aze afe, waza ukumkani wabaleka namadoda amathathu awayephambi kwakhe waza wasinda.
48 Ukumkani wajonga la madoda kwaye ayenxibe iimpahla zobukhosi njengezambatho zookumkani, kwaye ayenembonakalo nobuqaqawuli bookumkani.
49 Kwathi besabaleka, umlambo wajika waba liqanda phambi kokumkani, kwaphuma eqandeni intaka encinci eyafika phambi kokumkani, yabhabha entlokweni yakhe yaza yakhupha iliso lokumkani.
50 Waza ukumkani waba buhlungu ngulo mbono, wavuka ebuthongweni bakhe, umoya wakhe waphazamiseka; waza weva uloyiko olukhulu.
51 Kwathi kusasa ukumkani wavuka ebhedini yakhe esoyika, waza wayalela ukuba bonke abantu abazizilumko nabakhafuli beze kuye, xa ukumkani wabachazela iphupha lakhe.
52 Kwaye isicaka esilumkileyo sokumkani, esigama linguAnuki, saphendula ukumkani, sisithi, Oku akukho nto ngaphandle kobubi buka-Abram nembewu yakhe obuya kuvela nxamnye neNkosi yam nokumkani ngemihla yokugqibela.
53 Kwaye qaphelani, imini iya kuza xa uAbram nembewu yakhe nabantwana bendlu yakhe beya kulwa nokumkani wam, kwaye baya kubulala yonke imikhosi yokumkani nemikhosi yakhe.
54 Ngokuphathelele oko ukuthethileyo ngamadoda amathathu owabona njengawe, nawasindayo, oku kuthetha ukuba nguwe wedwa oza kusinda kunye nookumkani abathathu kookumkani bomhlaba abaya kuba nawe edabini.
55 Kwaye oko ukubonileyo emlanjeni owaguquka waba liqanda njengakuqala, nentaka encinci ikhupha iliso lakho, oku akuthethi nto ngaphandle kwembewu ka-Abram eya kubulala ukumkani ngemihla yokugqibela.
56 Eli liphupha lokumkani wam, kwaye le yingcaciso yalo, kwaye iphupha liyinyani, kwaye ingcaciso ayinikileyo umkhonzi wakho ilungile.
57 Ngoku ke kumkani wam, ngokuqinisekileyo uyazi ukuba ngoku sekuyiminyaka engamashumi amahlanu anesibini ukususela oko izilumko zakho zakubona oku ekuzalweni kuka-Abram, kwaye ukuba ukumkani wam uya kumvumela uAbram ukuba aphile emhlabeni kuya kuba kukwenzakala kwenkosi yam nokumkani, kuba yonke imihla uAbram angayi kumiswa wena nobukumkani bakho, kuba oku kwakwaziwa ngaphambili ekuzalweni kwakhe;

kwaye kutheni ukumkani wam engayi kumbulala, ukuze ububi bakhe bugcinwe kuwe ngemihla yokugqibela?
58 UNimrodi waliphulaphula ilizwi lika-Anuki, waza wathumela abanye babakhonzi bakhe ngasese ukuba baye kumbamba uAbram, bamzise phambi kokumkani ukuze abulawe.
59 UEliyezere, umkhonzi ka-Abram awayemnike yena ukumkani, ngelo xesha wayephambi kokumkani, waza weva oko u-Anuki wayemcebise ngako ukumkani, noko ukumkani wayekuthethile ukubangela ukufa kuka-Abram.
60 Wathi uEliyezere kuAbram, Khawuleza, vuka uze usindise umphefumlo wakho, ukuze ungafi ngezandla zokumkani, kuba wabona njalo ephupheni ngawe, waza uAnuki walitolika ngaloo ndlela, waza uAnuki wamcebisa ukumkani ngawe ngaloo ndlela.
61 UAbram waliphulaphula ilizwi likaEliyezere, waza uAbram wakhawuleza wabaleka waya endlwini kaNowa nonyana wakhe uShem, wazimela apho waza wafumana indawo yokhuseleko; kwaye abakhonzi bokumkani beza endlwini ka-Abram ukuze bamfune, kodwa abazange bamfumane, baza bamkhangela kulo lonke ilizwe kodwa akafumaneka, baza bahamba bamkhangela kuzo zonke iindlela kodwa akafumaneka.
62 Zathi xa izicaka zokumkani zingamfumani uAbram zabuyela kukumkani, kodwa umsindo wokumkani nxamnye noAbram wazola, njengoko zingamfumananga, waza ukumkani wayisusa engqondweni yakhe le nto iphathelele uAbram.
63 UAbram wafihlwa endlwini kaNowa inyanga yonke, wade ukumkani wayilibala le nto, kodwa uAbram wayesamoyika ukumkani; waza uTera weza kumbona uAbram unyana wakhe ngasese endlwini kaNowa, kwaye uTera wayemkhulu kakhulu emehlweni enkosi.
64 Wathi uAbram kuyise, Awazi na ukuba ukumkani ucinga ukundibulala, nokulitshabalalisa igama lam emhlabeni ngecebiso labacebisi bakhe abangendawo?
65 Ngoku ke, unani apha, kwaye unani kweli lizwe? Sukani, masihambe kunye siye kwilizwe laseKanan, ukuze sihlangulwe esandleni sakhe, hleze nitshabalale naye ngemihla yokugqibela.
66 Awazi okanye awuzange uve, ukuba akungenxa yothando ukuba uNimrod akunike lonke olu zuko, kodwa kungenxa yenzuzo yakhe kuphela ukuba akunike lonke olu zuko?
67 Kwaye ukuba ekwenzela okulungileyo okukhulu kunoko, ngokuqinisekileyo ezi zizinto nje ezingento zehlabathi, kuba ubutyebi nobutyebi abunakunceda ngemini yomsindo nomsindo.
68 Ngoko ke phulaphula ilizwi lam, masisuke siye kwilizwe laseKanan, kude nobubi bukaNimrod; uze ukhonze iNkosi eyakudalayo emhlabeni kwaye kuya kuba kuhle kuwe; kwaye ulahle zonke izinto ezingento ozisukelayo.
69 UAbram wayeka ukuthetha, xa uNowa nonyana wakhe uShem baphendula uTera, besithi, Liyinyaniso ilizwi alithethileyo kuwe uAbram.
70 UTera waliphulaphula ilizwi lonyana wakhe uAbram, waza uTera wenza konke uAbram akuthethileyo, kuba oku kwakuvela eNkosini, ukuba ukumkani angambulali uAbram.

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1 UTera wathabatha unyana wakhe uAbram nomzukulwana wakhe uLote, unyana kaHaran, noSarayi umolokazana wakhe, umfazi wonyana wakhe uAbram, nabo bonke abantu bendlu yakhe, bahamba nabo besuka eUre Kasdim ukuya kwilizwe laseKanan. Bakufika kwilizwe laseHaran bahlala apho, kuba lalililizwe elihle kakhulu lamadlelo, kwaye lalilikhulu ngokwaneleyo kwabo babehamba nabo.
2 Abantu belizwe lakwaHaran babona ukuba uAbram ulungile kwaye uthe tye kuThixo nakubantu, nokuba uYehova uThixo wakhe wayenaye, kwaye abanye babantu belizwe lakwaHaran beza bajoyina uAbram, waza wabafundisa imiyalelo yeNkosi neendlela zayo; kwaye la madoda ahlala noAbram endlwini yakhe kwaye anamathela kuye.
3 UAbram wahlala ezweni iminyaka emithathu, kwathi ekupheleni kweminyaka emithathu uYehova wabonakala kuAbram, wathi kuye, NdinguYehova owakukhupha eUre Kasdim, ndakuhlangula esandleni seentshaba zakho zonke.
4 Ke ngoko, ukuba uya kuliphulaphula ilizwi lam, ugcine imiyalelo yam, imimiselo yam, nemithetho yam, ndiya kuziwisa iintshaba zakho phambi kwakho, ndiya kuyandisa imbewu yakho njengeenkwenkwezi zezulu, ndize ndithumele intsikelelo yam phezu kwayo yonke imisebenzi yezandla zakho, ungasweli nto.
5 Suka ngoku, thabatha umfazi wakho nabo bonke abanawe, uye ezweni laseKanan, uhlale khona, ndiya kuba nguThixo kuwe, ndikusikelele. Wasuka uAbram wathabatha umfazi wakhe nabo bonke abanaye, waya ezweni laseKanan njengoko uYehova wayemxelele; uAbram wayeneminyaka engamashumi amahlanu ubudala ekumkeni kwakhe eHaran.
6 Wafika uAbram ezweni lakwaKanan, wahlala phakathi kwesixeko, wamisa intente yakhe phakathi kwabantwana bakwaKanan, abemi belo zwe.
7 UYehova wabonakala kuAbram xa wayefika kwilizwe laseKanan, wathi kuye, Eli lilizwe endakunika lona wena nembewu yakho emva kwakho ngonaphakade, kwaye ndiya kuyenza imbewu yakho ibe njengeenkwenkwezi zezulu, kwaye ndiya kuyinika imbewu yakho ibe lilifa lonke ilizwe olibonayo.
8 UAbram wakha isibingelelo kuloo ndawo uThixo wayethethe naye kuyo; uAbram wanqula khona igama likaYehova.
9 Ngaloo xesha, ekupheleni kweminyaka emithathu yokuhlala kuka-Abram ezweni lakwaKanan, ngaloo nyaka wafa uNowa, owawungumnyaka wamashumi amahlanu anesibhozo wobomi buka-Abram; kwaye yonke imihla kaNowa awayiphilayo yayingamakhulu asithoba anamashumi amahlanu eminyaka waza wafa.
10 UAbram wahlala ezweni lakwaKanan, yena nomkakhe, nabo bonke ababenaye, nabo bonke ababehamba naye, kunye nabo bazimasene naye kubantu belizwe; kodwa uNahore, umntakwabo Abram, noTera uyise, noLote unyana kaHaran, nabo bonke ababenabo, bahlala eHaran.
11 Ngomnyaka wesihlanu wokuhlala kuka-Abram ezweni lakwaKanan, abantu baseSodom naseGomora nayo yonke imizi yasethafeni bavukela uKedorlahomere, ukumkani wase-Elam; kuba bonke ookumkani bemizi yasethafeni

babekhonza uKedorlahomere iminyaka elishumi elinesibini, bemnika irhafu yonyaka, kodwa ngaloo mihla kunyaka weshumi elinesithathu, bamvukela.
12 Ngomnyaka weshumi wokuhlala kuka-Abram ezweni lakwaKanan kwabakho imfazwe phakathi kukaNimrod ukumkani waseShinare noKedorlahomere ukumkani wase-Elam, waza uNimrod weza kulwa noKedorlahomere nokumoyisa.
13 Kuba ngelo xesha uKedorlahomere wayengomnye weenkosana zomkhosi kaNimrod, kwaye xa bonke abantu ababesenqabeni bachithachithwa kwaye abo baseleyo nabo basasazeka phezu komhlaba, uKedorlahomere waya kwilizwe lase-Elam waza walilawula waza wavukela inkosi yakhe.
14 Ngaloo mihla xa uNimrod wabona ukuba izixeko zasethafeni zivukele, weza ngekratshi nangomsindo ukuya kulwa noKedorlaomere, waza uNimrod wahlanganisa zonke iinkosana zakhe nabaphantsi kwakhe, malunga namakhulu asixhenxe amawaka amadoda, waza waya kulwa noKedorlaomere, waza uKedorlaomere waphuma waya kumhlangabeza enamadoda angamawaka amahlanu, baza balungiselela imfazwe entlanjeni yaseBhabheli ephakathi kweElam neShinare.
15 Kwaye bonke abo kumkani balwa apho, waza uNimrod nabantu bakhe boyiswa phambi kwabantu bakaKedorlahomere, kwaza kwawa amadoda kaNimrod malunga namakhulu amathandathu amawaka, waza uMardon unyana wokumkani wawa phakathi kwabo.
16 UNimrodi wabaleka waza wabuyela kwilizwe lakhe eneentloni nehlazo, waza waba phantsi koKedorlaomere ixesha elide, waza uKedorlaomere wabuyela kwilizwe lakhe waza wathumela iinkosana zomkhosi wakhe kookumkani ababemngqongile, kuAriyoki ukumkani wase-Elasare, nakuTidali ukumkani wamaGoyim, waza wenza umnqophiso nabo, kwaye bonke babethobela imiyalelo yakhe.
17 Kwathi ngomnyaka weshumi elinesihlanu wokuhlala kuka-Abram ezweni lakwaKanan, unyaka wamashumi asixhenxe wobomi buka-Abram, iNkosi yabonakala kuAbram ngaloo nyaka, yathi kuye, NdinguYehova owakukhupha eUre Kasdim, ukuba ndikunike eli lizwe libe lilifa.
18 Ke ngoko hamba phambi kwam, ube ngogqibeleleyo, ugcine imiyalelo yam, kuba ndiya kuyinika wena nembewu yakho eli lizwe libe lilifa, ukusuka emlanjeni iYiputa ukuya emlanjeni omkhulu iEfrati.
19 Uya kufika kooyihlo unoxolo noxolo, kwaye isizukulwana sesine siya kubuyela apha kweli lizwe, silidle ilifa ngonaphakade; uAbram wakha isibingelelo, wabiza igama leNkosi eyabonakala kuye, waza wanikela amadini esibingelelweni kuYehova.
20 Wabuya uAbram ngelo xesha, waya kwaHaran, waya kubona uyise nonina, nendlu kayise; wabuyela kwaHaran, uAbram nomkakhe, nabo bonke abanaye; wahlala uAbram kwaHaran iminyaka emihlanu.
21 Kwaye uninzi lwabantu baseHaran, malunga namadoda angamashumi asixhenxe anesibini, balandela uAbram kwaye uAbram wabafundisa imiyalelo yeNkosi neendlela zayo, waza wabafundisa ukuyazi iNkosi.
22 Ngaloo mihla uYehova wabonakala kuAbram eHaran, wathi kuye, Yabona, ndithethe nawe kule minyaka imashumi mabini idlulileyo, ndisithi,
23 Phuma ezweni lakho, kwindawo ozalelwe kuyo, nasendlwini kayihlo, uye kwilizwe endikubonisileyo ukuba ndilinike wena nabantwana bakho, kuba apho ndiya kukusikelela, ndikwenze uhlanga olukhulu, ndilenze igama lakho libe likhulu, kwaye ziya kusikelelwa kuwe iintlanga zomhlaba.
24 Ngoko ke suka, phuma apha, wena nomkakho, nabo bonke abanawe, nabo bonke abazalelwe endlwini yakho, nabo bonke abantu obazuzele eHaran; ubakhuphe apha, ubuyele ezweni lakwaKanan.
25 Wesuka uAbram, wamthabatha uSarayi umkakhe, nabo bonke abakhe, nabo bonke abazalelwe endlwini yakhe, nemiphefumlo ababeyifumene eHaran; baphuma baya ezweni lakwaKanan.
26 Wahamba uAbram, wabuyela ezweni lakwaKanan, ngokwelizwi likaYehova; wahamba naye uLote, unyana womninawa wakhe uHaran; uAbram wayeneminyaka engamashumi asixhenxe anesihlanu ubudala, ekuphumeni kwakhe eHaran ebuyela ezweni lakwaKanan.
27 Wafika kwilizwe lakwaKanan ngokwelizwi leNkosi kuAbram, waza wamisa intente yakhe waza wahlala kwimithi yemithi yaseMamre, kunye noLote unyana womntakwabo, nazo zonke izinto zakhe.
28 INkosi yabonakala kwakhona kuAbram yathi, Imbewu yakho ndiya kuyinika eli lizwe; wamakhela khona isibingelelo iNkosi eyabonakala kuye, esisekhona nanamhla emithini yaseMamre.

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1 Ngaloo mihla kwakukho indoda elumkileyo kwilizwe laseShinare, eyayinobulumko bonke, intle, kodwa yayilihlwempu, ihlwempu; igama layo yayinguRikayon, yaye yayizimisele ukuzixhasa.
2 Waza wazimisela ukuya eYiputa, kuOswiris unyana ka-Anom ukumkani waseYiputa, ukuze ambonise ubulumko bakhe; kuba mhlawumbi angafumana ubabalo emehlweni akhe, ukuze amphakamise aze amnike ukutya; waza uRikayon wenza njalo.
3 Wathi uRikayon akufika eYiputa wabuza abemi baseYiputa ngokumkani, baza abemi baseYiputa bamxelela ngesiko lokumkani waseYiputa, kuba ngelo xesha yayilisiko lokumkani waseYiputa ukuba aphume endlwini yakhe yobukhosi aze abonwe kude kube kanye ngonyaka, aze emva koko ukumkani abuyele endlwini yakhe ukuze ahlale apho.
4 Kwaye ngomhla ukumkani aphuma ngawo wawisa isigwebo elizweni, kwaye wonke umntu owayenetyala weza phambi kokumkani ngaloo mini ukuze afumane isicelo sakhe.
5 Wathi uRikayon akukuva ngesiko laseYiputa nokuba wayengenakukwazi ukuza phambi kokumkani, waba buhlungu kakhulu waza waba buhlungu kakhulu.
6 Kwathi ngokuhlwa uRikayon waphuma waza wafumana indlu eyayidilikile, eyayisakuba yindlu yokubhaka eYiputa, wahlala apho ubusuku bonke enomphefumlo okrakra kwaye elambile, ubuthongo baphela emehlweni akhe.

7 URikayon wacinga ngaphakathi kwakhe ngento amele ayenze kuloo mzi de ukumkani afike, nendlela anokuziphilisa ngayo apho.
8 Wavuka kusasa wahambahamba, waza wadibana nabo babethengisa imifuno neentlobo ngeentlobo zembewu ababenika ngayo abemi.
9 Kwaye uRikayon wayenqwenela ukwenza okufanayo ukuze afumane isondlo kwisixeko, kodwa wayengaqhelananga nesiko labantu, kwaye wayefana nendoda eyimfama phakathi kwabo.
10 Wahamba waya kuthenga imifuno ukuze ayithengise ukuze aphile, kwaye isihlwele sabuthana samngcungcuthekisa, sathabatha imifuno yakhe kuye saza samshiyela nto.
11 Wesuka apho ebuhlungu kakhulu, waya endlwini yokubhaka awayelele kuyo ubusuku bonke ngaphambili, walala apho ngobusuku besibini.
12 Kwaye ngobo busuku waphinda wacinga ngaphakathi kwakhe ngendlela anokuzisindisa ngayo endlaleni, waza waceba icebo lokuba enze njani.
13 Wavuka kusasa, wenza ngobulumko, waya kuqesha amadoda angamashumi amathathu anamandla phakathi kwabantu abaqhelekileyo, ephethe izixhobo zawo zokulwa ngezandla, waza wawasa encotsheni yengcwaba lamaYiputa, wawabeka apho.
14 Wabayalela, esithi, Utsho ukumkani ukuthi, Yomelelani, nibe ngamadoda anobukroti, kungabikho mntu ungcwatyelwa apha, kude kunikelwe iisilivere ezimakhulu mabini, aze angcwatywe; Amadoda lawo enza ngokomyalelo kaRikayon kubantu baseYiputa, loo nyaka wonke.
15 Emva kweenyanga ezisibhozo uRikayon namadoda akhe baqokelela ubutyebi obuninzi besilivere negolide, waza uRikayon wathabatha amahashe amaninzi nezinye izilwanyana, waqesha amadoda amaninzi, waza wabanika amahashe, ahlala naye.
16 Kwathi xa umnyaka uphela, ngexesha lokuphuma kokumkani esiya esixekweni, bonke abemi baseYiputa bahlanganisana ukuze bathethe naye ngomsebenzi kaRikayon namadoda akhe.
17 Waphuma ukumkani ngomhla omiselweyo, onke amaYiputa eza phambi kwakhe, akhala kuye, esithi,
18 Makaphile ukumkani ngonaphakade. Yintoni na le nto uyenzayo emzini kubakhonzi bakho, ukuba ungavumeli isidumbu singcwatywe de kunikelwe isilivere negolide eninzi kangaka? Ngaba ikho into enjalo eyenziwe emhlabeni wonke, ukususela kwimihla yookumkani bangaphambili, ukususela kwimihla ka-Adam, kude kube namhlanje, ukuba abafileyo bangangcwatywa ngexabiso elimiselweyo kuphela?
19 Siyazi ukuba lisiko lookumkani ukuqokelela irhafu yonyaka kwabaphilayo, kodwa wena awukwenzi oku kuphela, kodwa nakwabafileyo uyababiza irhafu imihla ngemihla.
20 Ngoku, Owu kumkani, asinakukwazi ukunyamezela oku, kuba isixeko sonke sonakalisiwe ngenxa yoku, kwaye awazi na?
21 Wathi ukumkani akukuva konke ababekuthethile, wacaphuka kakhulu, umsindo wakhe wavutha ngaphakathi kuye ngenxa yesi siganeko, kuba wayengazi nto ngaso.
22 Ukumkani wathi, Ngubani na, uphi na lowo unesibindi sokwenza obu bubi kwilizwe lam ngaphandle komyalelo wam? Ngokuqinisekileyo uza kundixelela.
23 Bamxelela yonke imisebenzi kaRikayon namadoda akhe, waza ukumkani wavutha ngumsindo, wayalela ukuba uRikayon namadoda akhe baziswe phambi kwakhe.
24 URikayon wathabatha abantwana abamalunga newaka, oonyana neentombi, wabanxibisa isilika nemisonto, wabakhwelisa emahasheni, wabathumela kukumkani ngamadoda akhe, wathabatha nesilivere eninzi negolide namatye anqabileyo, nehashe elinamandla nelihle, njengesipho kukumkani, awafika naso phambi kokumkani, waqubuda emhlabeni phambi kwakhe; ukumkani, abakhonzi bakhe, nabo bonke abemi baseYiputa, bamangaliswa ngumsebenzi kaRikayon, babona ubutyebi bakhe nesipho awayesizisele ukumkani.
25 Kwamkholisa kakhulu ukumkani, wamangaliswa yiloo nto; wathi uRikayon ehleli phambi kwakhe, ukumkani wambuza ngayo yonke imisebenzi yakhe, waza uRikayon wathetha onke amazwi akhe ngobulumko phambi kokumkani, nabakhonzi bakhe, nabo bonke abemi baseYiputa.
26 Wathi ukumkani akuweva amazwi kaRikayon nobulumko bakhe, uRikayon wafumana ubabalo emehlweni akhe, wafumana ubabalo nobubele kubo bonke abakhonzi bokumkani nakubo bonke abemi baseYiputa, ngenxa yobulumko bakhe nentetho yakhe ebalaseleyo; ukususela ngelo xesha bamthanda kakhulu.
27 Ukumkani waphendula wathi kuRikayon, Igama lakho alisayi kuba sabizwa ngokuba yiRikayon; igama lakho liya kuba nguFaro, kuba ububize irhafu kwabafileyo; wamthiya igama elithi Faro.
28 Ukumkani nabantu bakhe babemthanda uRikayon ngenxa yobulumko bakhe, baza bacebisana nabo bonke abemi baseYiputa ukuba bamenze umphathi wokumkani.
29 Bonke abemi baseYiputa nezilumko zalo benza njalo, kwaza oko kwaba ngumthetho eYiputa.
30 Bamenza uRikayon Faro umphathi phantsi kuka-Oshiris ukumkani waseYiputa, kwaye uRikayon Faro wayelawula iYiputa, elawula yonke imihla isixeko, kodwa u-Oshiris ukumkani wayebagweba abantu belizwe ngosuku olunye ngonyaka, xa wayephuma ukuya kubonakala.
31 UFaro wabuthabatha ngobuqhophololo ubukumkani baseYiputa, waza wabahlawulisa irhafu bonke abemi baseYiputa.
32 Bonke abemi baseYiputa babemthanda kakhulu uFaro uRikayon, baza benza umyalelo wokuba kuthiwe bonke ookumkani ababeza kubalawula kunye nenzala yabo eYiputa, kuFaro.
33 Ngenxa yoko bonke ookumkani ababelawula eYiputa ukususela ngelo xesha ukuya phambili babizwa ngokuba nguFaro unanamhla.

ISAHLUKO 15

1 Ngaloo nyaka kwabakho indlala enkulu kulo lonke ilizwe lakwaKanan; abemi belo zwe babengenakukwazi ukuhlala ngenxa yendlala; kuba yayinzima kakhulu.
2 Wesuka uAbram nabo bonke anabo, behla baya eYiputa ngenxa yendlala; bakufika emlanjeni iYiputa, bahlala apho ixesha elithile ukuze baphumle ekudinweni kwendlela.

3 UAbram noSarayi babehamba emdeni womlambo iMizraim, waza uAbram wambona uSarayi umkakhe ukuba wayemhle kakhulu.
4 Wathi uAbram kuSarayi umkakhe, Ekubeni uThixo ekudalile ngobuso obuhle kangaka, ndiyoyika amaYiputa hleze andibulale, akuthabathe, kuba ukoyika uThixo akukho kwezi ndawo.
5 Ngoko ke yenza oku: Yithi ungudade wethu kubo bonke abakucelayo, ukuze kulunge kum, siphile, singabulawa.
6 UAbram wayalela okufanayo kubo bonke ababeze naye eYiputa ngenxa yendlala; wayalela nomtshana wakhe uLote, esithi, Ukuba amaYiputa ayakubuza ngoSarayi, yitsho ukuba ungudade boAbram.
7 Kodwa ke, ngayo yonke le miyalelo, uAbram akazange abathembe, kodwa wamthabatha uSarayi wambeka ebhokisini waza walifihla phakathi kweempahla zabo, kuba uAbram wayekhathazekile kakhulu ngoSarayi ngenxa yobubi bamaYiputa.
8 Waza uAbram nabo bonke abakhe besuka emlanjeni iMizraim, bafika eYiputa; kwathi bengekangeni emasangweni esixeko, abalindi basukuma bathi kubo, Nikani ukumkani isishumi koko ninako, nize ningene esixekweni; waza uAbram nabo babenaye benza njalo.
9 UAbram nabantu ababenaye bafika eYiputa, baza bafika bayizisa ityeya awayefihliwe kuyo uSarayi, amaYiputa ayibona ityeya leyo.
10 Abakhonzi bokumkani basondela kuAbram, bathi, Unantoni na apha kule bhokisi, esingayibonanga? Yivule ngoku ibhokisi, unikele isishumi sayo yonke into ekuyo kukumkani.
11 Wathi uAbram, Andiyi kuyivula le bhokisi, kodwa ndiya kukunika konke okufunayo kuyo. Abakhonzi bakaFaro bamphendula uAbram, besithi, Yibhokisi yamatye anqabileyo le, sinike isishumi sayo.
12 Wathi uAbram, Ndiya kukunika konke okufunayo, kodwa akuyi kuyivula ityeya.
13 Abakhonzi bokumkani bamxina uAbram, bafika etyeyeni, bayivula ngamandla, babona, nanko umfazi omhle etyeyeni.
14 Akuba amagosa okumkani embonile uSarayi, amangaliswa bubuhle bakhe, kwaye zonke iinkosana nabakhonzi bakaFaro bahlanganisana ukuza kumbona uSarayi, kuba wayemhle kakhulu. Amagosa okumkani abaleka aya kumxelela uFaro konke akubonileyo, aza amdumisa uSarayi kukumkani; waza uFaro wayalela ukuba aziswe, waza umfazi weza phambi kokumkani.
15 UFaro wambona uSarayi waza wamkholisa kakhulu, waza wachukumiseka bubuhle bakhe, waza ukumkani wavuya kakhulu ngenxa yakhe, waza wabapha izipho abo babemzisela iindaba ngaye.
16 Waziswa umfazi endlwini kaFaro; uAbram waba buhlungu ngenxa yomkakhe, wathandaza kuYehova ukuba amhlangule esandleni sikaFaro.
17 USarayi naye wathandaza ngelo xesha wathi, Owu Nkosi Thixo, wena uxelele iNkosi yam uAbram ukuba ahambe ezweni lakhe nakwindlu kayise aye kwilizwe laseKanan, kwaye wathembisa ukumenzela okulungileyo ukuba uya kuyigcina imiyalelo yakho; ngoku qaphela senze oko usiyalele kona, kwaye sashiya ilizwe lethu neentsapho zethu, saya kwilizwe lasemzini nakubantu esingabaziyo ngaphambili.
18 Kwaye sifikile kweli lizwe ukuze siphephe indlala, kwaye le ngozi imbi indihlelele; ke ngoko, Nkosi Thixo, sihlangule usisindise esandleni salo mcinezeli, wenze okulungileyo kum ngenxa yenceba yakho.
19 Kwaye iNkosi yaliphulaphula ilizwi likaSarayi, kwaye iNkosi yathumela ingelosi ukuba ikhulule uSarayi esandleni sikaFaro.
20 Ukumkani weza wahlala phambi kukaSarayi, wabona isithunywa seNkosi simi phezu kwabo, saza sabonakala kuSarayi sathi kuye, Musa ukoyika, kuba iNkosi iwuvile umthandazo wakho.
21 Ukumkani wasondela kuSarayi, wathi kuye, Ngubani na loo ndoda ikuzise apha kuwe? Wathi yena, Ngumnakwethu.
22 Wathi ukumkani, Kungumthwalo wethu ukumenza mkhulu, ukumphakamisa nokwenza kuye konke okulungileyo osiyalele kona; waza ngelo xesha ukumkani wathumela kuAbram isilivere negolide namatye anqabileyo amaninzi, kunye neenkomo, izicaka nezicakakazi; waza ukumkani wayalela ukuba uAbram aziswe, waza wahlala entendelezweni yendlu yokumkani, waza ukumkani wamphakamisa kakhulu uAbram ngobo busuku.
23 Ukumkani wasondela ukuze athethe noSarayi, waza wolula isandla sakhe ukuze amchukumise, xa ingelosi yambetha kakhulu, woyika waza wazibamba ukuba angamchukumisi.
24 Xa ukumkani wayesondela kuSarayi, isithunywa sambetha emhlabeni, senza loo nto kuye ubusuku bonke, waza ukumkani woyika.
25 Isithunywa sathi ngobo busuku sababetha kabuhlungu bonke abakhonzi bokumkani, nendlu yakhe yonke, ngenxa kaSarayi, kwaza kwabakho isililo esikhulu ngobo busuku phakathi kwabantu bendlu kaFaro.
26 UFaro, ebona ububi obumehleleyo, wathi, Oku kungenxa yalo mfazi, wasuka waya kuye, wathetha amazwi amnandi kuye.
27 Wathi ukumkani kuSarayi, Khawundixelele ngendoda oze nayo apha; wathi uSarayi, Le ndoda yindoda yam, ndaza ndathi kuwe, ngumnakwethu kuba bendisoyika, hleze uyibulale ngobugwenxa.
28 Ukumkani wazimela kude noSarayi, zaza izibetho zengelosi yeNkosi zaphela kuye nakwindlu yakhe; waza uFaro wazi ukuba ubethwe ngenxa kaSarayi, waza ukumkani wamangaliswa kakhulu yile nto.
29 Kwathi kusasa ukumkani wabiza uAbram, wathi kuye, Yintoni na le undenze yona? Kutheni na uthi, Ngudade wethu, ndamthabatha ngenxa yoko waba ngumfazi wam, kwaye esi sifo sinzima sifikele mna nendlu yam?
30 Ngoko ke nanku umfazi wakho, mthabathe umke kweli lizwe lethu hleze sife sonke ngenxa yakhe.” UFaro wathabatha ezinye iinkomo, izicaka nezicakakazi, isilivere negolide, ukuze azinike uAbram, waza wambuyisela uSarayi umkakhe kuye.
31 Ukumkani wathabatha intombi awayizala ngamashweshwe akhe, wayinika uSarayi ukuba ibe yincekukazi yakhe.
32 Wathi ukumkani kwintombi yakhe, Kulungile kuwe ntombi yam, ukuba ube sisicakakazi endlwini yale ndoda, kunokuba ube yinkosikazi endlwini yam, emva kokuba sibonile ububi obusehleleyo ngenxa yale mfazi.

33 Wesuka uAbram, wemka eYiputa, yena nabo bonke abenabo; uFaro wayalela amanye amadoda akhe ukuba ahambe naye, nabo bonke ababehamba naye.
34 UAbram wabuyela ezweni lakwaKanan, kuloo ndawo wayesenze kuyo isibingelelo, apho wayemise khona intente yakhe ekuqaleni.
35 ULote, unyana kaHaran, umninawa ka-Abram, wayenemfuyo eninzi yeenkomo, nempahla emfutshane, neenkomo, neentente; kuba uYehova wayebapha ububele ngenxa ka-Abram.
36 Xa uAbram wayehlala kwelo lizwe, abelusi bakaLote baxabana nabelusi bakaAbram, kuba impahla yabo yayininzi kakhulu ukuba bahlale kunye kwelo lizwe, kwaye ilizwe lalingenakubathwala ngenxa yemfuyo yabo.
37 Kwaye xa abelusi baka-Abram babesiya kolusa imihlambi yabo abazange bavume ukuya emasimini abantu belizwe, kodwa iinkomo zabalusi bakaLote zenza ngenye indlela, kuba zazivunyelwe ukuba zidle emasimini abantu belizwe.
38 Abantu belizwe bakubona oku imihla ngemihla, baza beza kuAbram, baxabana naye ngenxa yabalusi bakaLote.
39 Wathi uAbram kuLote, Yintoni na le undenza yona, undidelele kubemi beli lizwe, ukuba uyalela abelusi bakho ukuba baluse imihlambi yakho emasimini abanye abantu? Awazi na ukuba ndingumphambukeli kweli lizwe phakathi kwabantwana bakwaKanan, kwaye kutheni undenza oku?
40 UAbram waxabana imihla ngemihla noLote ngenxa yesi sizathu, kodwa uLote akavumanga ukumphulaphula uAbram, waqhubeka esenza okufanayo, baza abemi belo lizwe beza bamxelela uAbram.
41 Wathi uAbram kuLote, Koda kube nini na usisikhubekiso kum phakathi kwabemi beli lizwe? Ndiyakucela ke, makungabikho ngxabano phakathi kwethu, kuba singabazalwana.
42 Kodwa ndiyakucela ukuba wahlukane nam, uye kuzikhethela indawo apho ungahlala khona nemfuyo yakho nayo yonke into onayo, kodwa hlala kude nam, wena nendlu yakho.
43 Kwaye ungoyiki ukumka kum, kuba ukuba nabani na ukwenza okubi kuwe, ndazise kwaye ndiya kuyiphindezela ityala lakho kuye, kodwa shenxisa kum.
44 Kwathi, akuba uAbram ewathethile onke la mazwi kuLote, wesuka uLote, waphakamisa amehlo akhe esiya entlanjeni yaseYordan.
45 Wabona ukuba yonke le ndawo inamanzi amaninzi, ilungele umntu kwaye inika neenkomo amadlelo.
46 ULote wemka kuAbram waya kuloo ndawo, wamisa intente yakhe apho, wahlala eSodom; baza bahlukana.
47 UAbram wahlala emithini yaseMamre, eseHebron, wamisa intente yakhe apho, waza uAbram wahlala kuloo ndawo iminyaka emininzi.

ISAHLUKO 16

1 Ngelo xesha uKedorlahomere ukumkani wakwaElam wathumela kubo bonke ookumkani ababengabamelwane, kuNimrodi ukumkani waseShinare owayephantsi kolawulo lwakhe ngelo xesha, nakuTidali ukumkani wamaGoyim, nakuAriyoki ukumkani wakwaElasare, awathi wenza umnqophiso nabo, esithi, Nyukani nize kum nindincede, ukuze siyitshabalalise yonke imizi yaseSodom nabemi bayo, ngokuba bandikreqile kule minyaka ilishumi elinesithathu.
2 Aba kumkani bane benyuka kunye neenkampu zabo zonke, malunga namakhulu asibhozo amawaka amadoda, baza bahamba njengoko babenjalo, baza babulala bonke abantu ababafumana endleleni yabo.
3 Ookumkani abahlanu baseSodom naseGomora, uShinab ukumkani waseAdama, uShemebhere ukumkani waseTsebhoyim, uBhera ukumkani waseSodom, uBhersha ukumkani waseGomora, noBhela ukumkani waseTsohare, baphuma baya kubahlangabeza; bonke badibana entilini yaseSidim.
4 Aba kumkani basithoba balwa eNtilini yaseSidim; ookumkani baseSodom naseGomora boyiswa phambi kookumkani baseElam.
5 Intlambo yaseSidim yayizele yimingxunya yekalika kwaye ookumkani base-Elam basukela ookumkani baseSodom, kwaye ookumkani baseSodom kunye neenkampu zabo babaleka baza bawela kwimingxunya yekalika, kwaye bonke abaseleyo baya ezintabeni ukuze bafumane ukhuseleko, kwaye ookumkani abahlanu base-Elam beza emva kwabo baza babasukela ukuya emasangweni aseSodom, baza bathabatha konke okwakuseSodom.
6 Baphanga zonke izixeko zaseSodom naseGomora, bathabatha noLote, unyana womntakwabo Abram, nempahla yakhe, bathabatha zonke iimpahla zezixeko zaseSodom, baza bemka; u-Unic, isicaka sika-Abram, owayesemfazweni, wakubona oku, wamxelela uAbram konke ookumkani ababekwenzile kwizixeko zaseSodom, nokuba uLote wayethinjiwe ngabo.
7 UAbram weva oku, wasuka namadoda amalunga namakhulu amathathu aneshumi elinesibhozo awayenaye, waza ngobo busuku wabasukela aba kumkani waza wababulala, baza bonke bawa phambi koAbram namadoda akhe, kwaye akukho namnye owasindayo ngaphandle kookumkani abane ababalekayo, baza ngamnye wahamba ngendlela yakhe.
8 UAbram wayibuyisa yonke impahla yaseSodom, wabuyisa noLote, nempahla yakhe, nabafazi bakhe, nabantwana bakhe, nayo yonke into awayenayo, akwaswela nto uLote.
9 Waza wabuya ekubulaleni aba kumkani, yena namadoda akhe badlula kwintlambo yaseSidim apho ookumkani babelwe khona imfazwe kunye.
10 UBhera ukumkani waseSodom, kunye nabanye abantu bakhe ababenaye, baphuma emingxunyeni yekalika ababewele kuyo, baya kuhlangabeza uAbram namadoda akhe.
11 UAdoni-tsedeki, ukumkani waseYerusalem, owayenguShem, waphuma namadoda akhe ukuya kuhlangabeza uAbram nabantu bakhe, enesonka newayini, baza bahlala kunye entlanjeni kaMeleki.
12 UAdoni-zedeki wamsikelela uAbram, waza uAbram wamnika isishumi sazo zonke izinto awayezifumene kwixhoba leentshaba zakhe, kuba uAdoni-zedeki wayengumbingeleli phambi koThixo.
13 Bonke ookumkani baseSodom naseGomora ababelapho, kunye nabakhonzi babo, beza kuAbram baza bamcela ukuba ababuyisele abakhonzi babo awayebathimbile, aze athabathe yonke impahla ibe yeyakhe.

14 UAbram wabaphendula ookumkani baseSodom, esithi, Ehleli nje uYehova, owadala izulu nomhlaba, nowandikhululayo umphefumlo wam kuzo zonke iimbandezelo, nowandihlangulayo namhla ezintshabeni zam, waza wazinikela esandleni sam, andiyi kuthatha nto ikuwe, ukuze ungaqhayisi ngomso, uthi, UAbram waba sisityebi ngempahla yethu ayihlanguleyo.
15 Kuba iNkosi uThixo wam endimthembayo ithe kum, Akuyi kuswela nto, kuba ndiya kukusikelela kuyo yonke imisebenzi yezandla zakho.
16 Ke ngoko, nantsi yonke into engeyakho, yithabathe uhambe; njengoko uYehova ehleli, andiyi kuthabatha kuni umphefumlo ophilayo, kude kube sisihlangu okanye umsonto, ngaphandle kweendleko zokutya kwabo baphume nam ukuya edabini, kunye nezabelo zamadoda ahambe nam, uAnar, uAshkoli, noMamre, bona kunye namadoda abo, kunye nabo baseleyo ukuze bagcine imithwalo, baya kuthatha isabelo sabo sexhoba.
17 Ookumkani baseSodom bamnika uAbram njengoko wayetshilo, bamnyanzela ukuba athabathe nakuphi na akuthandayo; akavumanga.
18 Wabagxotha ookumkani baseSodom kunye nabanye abantu babo, waza wabayalela ngoLote, baza baya kwiindawo zabo.
19 ULote, unyana womntakwabo, naye wamndulula kunye nempahla yakhe, waza wahamba nabo, waza uLote wabuyela ekhaya lakhe, eSodom, noAbram nabantu bakhe babuyela ekhaya labo emathafeni aseMamre, aseHebron.
20 Ngelo xesha uYehova wabonakala kwakhona kuAbram eHebron, wathi kuye, Musa ukoyika; umvuzo wakho mkhulu kakhulu phambi kwam; kuba andiyi kukushiya, ndide ndikwandise, ndikusikelele, ndenze imbewu yakho ibe njengeenkwenkwezi zasezulwini, ezingenakulinganiswa, zingabalwa.
21 Ndiya kuyinika imbewu yakho yonke le mimandla uyibonileyo ngamehlo akho, ndiyinike yona ibe lilifa ngonaphakade; yomelela kuphela, ungoyiki; hamba phambi kwam, ube ngogqibeleleyo.
22 Ngomnyaka wamashumi asixhenxe anesibhozo wobomi buka-Abram, ngaloo nyaka wafa uRewu, unyana kaPelege, kwaye yonke imihla kaRewu yaba yiminyaka engamakhulu amabini anamashumi amathathu anesithoba, waza wafa.
23 Ke kaloku uSarayi, intombi kaHaran, umka-Abram, wayesaludlolo ngaloo mihla; wayengamzaleli uAbram unyana nantombi.
24 Wathi akubona ukuba akazali bantwana, wamthabatha uHagare, umkhonzazana wakhe, awamnikwa nguFaro, wamnika uAbram indoda yakhe, ukuba abe ngumfazi wakhe.
25 Kuba uHagare wafunda zonke iindlela zikaSarayi njengoko uSarayi wayemfundisa, wayengenasiphako konke konke ekulandeleni iindlela zakhe ezilungileyo.
26 Wathi uSarayi kuAbram, Nanku umkhonzazana wam uHagare, yiya kuye, azalele emadolweni am, ukuze nam ndifumane abantwana ngaye.
27 Ekupheleni kweminyaka elishumi yokuhlala kuka-Abram ezweni lakwaKanan, oko kukuthi iminyaka engamashumi asibhozo anesihlanu yobomi buka-Abram, uSarayi wamnika uHagare.
28 UAbram waliphulaphula ilizwi lomkakhe uSarayi, wamthabatha uHagare, umkhonzazana wakhe; uAbram wangena kuye, wamitha.
29 Uthe uHagare akukubona ukuba ukhulelwe, wavuya kakhulu, inkosikazi yakhe yadelelwa emehlweni akhe, wathi ngaphakathi kuye, Oku kukodwa kukuba ndingcono kunoSarayi inkosikazi yam phambi koThixo, kuba yonke imihla inkosikazi yam ibinenkosi yam, ayizange ikhulelwe, kodwa mna, uYehova undinike ixesha elifutshane kangaka lokukhulelwa.
30 Wathi uSarayi akumbona uHagare ukuba ukhulelwe nguAbram, uSarayi waba nomona ngesicakakazi sakhe, waza uSarayi wathi ngaphakathi kuye, Oku ngokuqinisekileyo akukho nto ngaphandle kokuba umele ukuba ungcono kunam.
31 Wathi uSarayi kuAbram, Ububi bam mabube phezu kwakho, kuba ngexesha owathandaza ngalo phambi koYehova ngenxa yabantwana, bekutheni na ukuba ungandithandazeli ngenxa yam, ukuba uYehova andinike imbewu kuwe?
32 Kwaye xa ndithetha noHagare phambi kwakho, uyawachasa amazwi am, kuba ekhulelwe, kwaye awuyi kuthetha nto kuye; ngamana iNkosi ingagweba phakathi kwam nawe ngenxa yento oyenzileyo kum.
33 Wathi uAbram kuSarayi, Yabona, umkhonzazana wakho usesandleni sakho; yenza kuye njengoko kulungileyo emehlweni akho; uSarayi wamcinezela, uHagare wabaleka kuye waya entlango.
34 Isithunywa sikaYehova samfumana kuloo ndawo wayebalekele kuyo, ngasequleni, sathi kuye, Musa ukoyika; kuba ndiya kuyandisa imbewu yakho, kuba uya kuzala unyana, umthiye igama elinguIshmayeli; buyela ke ngoko kuSarayi, inkosikazi yakho, uzithobe phantsi kwesandla sakhe.
35 UHagare wathi loo ndawo yequla yiBher-lahai-roi, ephakathi kweKadeshe nentlango yaseBherede.
36 UHagare wabuyela endlwini yenkosi yakhe ngelo xesha, waza ekupheleni kwemihla uHagare wamzalela unyana uAbram, uAbram wamthiya igama elinguIshmayeli; uAbram wayeneminyaka engamashumi asibhozo anesithandathu ubudala ekumzaleni kwakhe.

ISAHLUKO 17

1 Ngaloo mihla, ngonyaka wamashumi alithoba ananye wobomi buka-Abram, oonyana bakaKitim balwa noonyana bakaTubhali, kuba xa uYehova wabachithachitha oonyana babantu phezu komhlaba, oonyana bakaKitim baya bazinza emathafeni aseCanopia, bazakhela imizi apho baza bahlala ngasemlanjeni iTibreu.
2 Oonyana bakaTubhali bahlala eTuskana, umda wabo wafikelela emlanjeni iTibreu; oonyana bakaTubhali bakha umzi eTuskana, bawubiza ngokuba yiSabina, ngegama likaSabina unyana kaTubhali uyise, bahlala khona unanamhla.
3 Kwaye ngelo xesha oonyana bakaKitim balwa nabantwana bakaTubhali, baza oonyana bakaTubhali boyiswa phambi kwabantwana bakaKitim, kwaye oonyana bakaKitim babangela ukuba amadoda angamakhulu amathathu anamashumi asixhenxe awe koonyana bakaTubhali.

4 Ngelo xesha oonyana bakaTubhali bafunga kubantwana bakwaKitim, besithi, Aniyi kutshata nathi, akukho mntu uya kunika intombi yakhe nakubani na koonyana bakaKitim.
5 Kuba zonke iintombi zikaTubhali zazizintle ngaloo mihla, kuba ngelo xesha kwakungekho bafazi bahle njengeentombi zikaTubhali kulo lonke ihlabathi.
6 Bonke abo babethanda ubuhle babafazi baya kwiintombi zikaTubhali baza bazithathela abafazi, yaye oonyana babantu, ookumkani neenkosana, ababethanda ubuhle babafazi, bathabatha abafazi ngaloo mihla kwiintombi zikaTubhali.
7 Ekupheleni kweminyaka emithathu emva kokuba oonyana bakaTubhali befungile kubantwana bakwaKitim ukuba bangabaniki iintombi zabo njengabafazi, amadoda amalunga namashumi amabini kubantwana bakwaKitim aya kuthatha ezinye zeentombi zikaTubhali, kodwa azifumananga.
8 Kuba oonyana bakaTubhali bazigcina izifungo zabo zokungazendi nabo, kwaye abazange bavume ukwaphula izifungo zabo.
9 Kwathi ngemihla yokuvuna, oonyana bakaTubhali baya emasimini abo ukuya kuvuna, xa abafana baseKitim bahlanganisana baya kwisixeko saseSabina, indoda nganye yathabatha intombi kwiintombi zikaTubhali, yaza yaya emizini yayo.
10 Baza oonyana bakaTubhali beva ngaloo nto baza baya kulwa nabo, kodwa abazange bakwazi ukubanqoba, kuba intaba yayiphakame kakhulu kubo, baza bakubona ukuba abanakubanqoba babuyela kwilizwe labo.
11 Kwaye ngexesha loguquko lonyaka abantwana baseTubhali bahamba baya kuqesha amadoda amalunga neshumi lamawaka kuloo mizi yayikufutshane nabo, baza baya kulwa nabantwana baseKitim.
12 Kwaye oonyana bakaTubhali baya kulwa nabantwana bakaKitim, ukuze batshabalalise ilizwe labo baze babacinezele, kwaye kulo mbandela oonyana bakaTubhali baboyisa abantwana bakaKitim, nabantwana bakaKitim, bebona ukuba babandezelekile kakhulu, baphakamisa abantwana ababebazalelwe ziintombi zikaTubhali, eludongeni olwalwakhiwe, ukuze babe phambi kwamehlo oonyana bakaTubhali.
13 Bathi oonyana bakaKitim kubo, Nize kulwa noonyana benu neentombi zenu, kwaye asizange sithathwe njengenyama namathambo enu ukususela ngelo xesha kude kube ngoku?
14 Bathi oonyana bakaTubhali bakukuva oku, bayeka ukulwa noonyana bakaKitim, bemka.
15 Babuyela kwizixeko zabo, baza oonyana bakaKitim ngelo xesha bahlanganisana baza bakha izixeko ezibini ngaselwandle, baza babiza esinye ngokuba yiPurtu nesinye ngokuba yiAriza.
16 UAbram unyana kaTera wayeneminyaka engamashumi asithoba anesithoba ubudala ngelo xesha.
17 Ngelo xesha uYehova wabonakala kuye, wathi kuye, Ndiya kuwumisa umnqophiso wam phakathi kwam nawe, ndiyandise kakhulu imbewu yakho; nanku umnqophiso endiwenzayo phakathi kwam nawe, wokuba bonke abantwana abangamadoda baluswe, wena nembewu yakho emva kwakho.
18 Xa uneentsuku ezisibhozo ubudala, woluswa, kwaye lo mnqophiso uya kuba senyameni yenu, ube ngumnqophiso ongunaphakade.
19 Ke ngoko igama lakho alisayi kuba sabizwa ngokuba nguAbram kodwa nguAbraham, nomfazi wakho akasayi kuba sabizwa ngokuba nguSarayi kodwa nguSara.
20 Kuba ndiya kunisikelela nobabini, ndiyandise imbewu yenu emva kwenu, nibe luhlanga olukhulu, kuphume ookumkani kuni.

ISAHLUKO 18

1 Wasuka uAbraham, wenza konke uThixo abemwisele umthetho ngako, wathabatha amadoda endlu yakhe, nabo bathengwe ngemali yakhe, wabalusa njengoko uYehova ebemyalele.
2 Kwaye akukho namnye owasalayo angamsolanga, yaye uAbraham nonyana wakhe uIshmayeli baluswa enyameni yejwabu labo; uIshmayeli wayeneminyaka elishumi elinesithathu ubudala xa waluswa enyameni yejwabu lakhe.
3 Ngomhla wesithathu uAbraham waphuma ententeni yakhe, wahlala emnyango, ukuze aqhelane nobushushu belanga, ebuhlungu enyameni yakhe.
4 Kwaye iNkosi yabonakala kuye kwimithi ye-oki yaseMamre, yaza yathumela ezintathu zeengelosi zayo ezimkhonzayo ukuba zimtyelele, kwaye wayehleli emnyango wentente, waza waphakamisa amehlo akhe wabona, nanko amadoda amathathu esiza evela kude, waza wasukuma wabaleka waya kuwahlangabeza, waza waqubuda kuwo waza wawangenisa endlwini yakhe.
5 Wathi kubo, Ukuba kaloku ndibabalwe emehlweni enu, ngenani nidle iqhekeza lesonka. Wazicinezela, zangena, wabanika amanzi, bahlamba iinyawo zabo, wazibeka phantsi komthi emnyango wentente.
6 Wabaleka uAbraham, wathabatha ithole lenkomo, elithambileyo nelilungileyo, wakhawuleza ukulixhela, walinika umkhonzi wakhe uEliyezere, ukuba alilungise.
7 UAbraham wangena ententeni kuSara, wathi kuye, Khawuleza ulungise iiseha ezintathu zomgubo ocoliweyo, uwuxovule, wenze amaqebengwana okugubungela imbiza yenyama. Wenjenjalo ke uSara.
8 Wakhawuleza uAbraham, wazisa ibhotolo nobisi, inyama yenkomo negusha phambi kwabo, wabanika ukuba badle ngaphambi kokuba inyama yethole igcwale ngokwaneleyo, badla ke bona.
9 Kwathi bakugqiba ukutya, omnye kubo wathi kuye, Ndiya kubuyela kuwe ngeli xesha, kwaye uSara umkakho uya kuba nonyana.
10 Emva koko amadoda ahamba aya kwiindawo awayethunyelwe kuzo.
11 Ngaloo mihla bonke abantu baseSodom naseGomora, nakuzo zonke izixeko ezihlanu, babenobubi obukhulu kwaye besona eNkosini, baza bamcaphukisa uYehova ngezinto zabo ezicekisekayo, baza bomelela ekwaluphaleni ngendlela enyanyekayo nehlazo phambi kweNkosi, kwaye ububi babo kunye nolwaphulo-mthetho lwalukhulu ngaloo mihla phambi kweNkosi.
12 Kwaye kwilizwe labo kwakukho intlambo ebanzi kakhulu, malunga nesiqingatha sosuku, kwaye kuyo kwakukho imithombo yamanzi kunye nemifuno emininzi ejikeleze amanzi.

13 Bonke abantu baseSodom naseGomora babesiya khona kane ngonyaka, kunye nabafazi babo nabantwana babo, nabo bonke ababanabo, baze bagcobe apho ngeengoma kunye nemidaniso.
14 Kwaye ngexesha lovuyo babevuka bonke babambe abafazi bommelwane wabo, kwaye abanye, iintombi ezinyulu zommelwane wabo, kwaye babeyonwabela, kwaye indoda nganye ibona umfazi wayo nentombi yayo ezandleni zommelwane wayo kwaye ayizange ithethe nelimdaka.
15 Babesenza njalo ukususela kusasa ukuya ngokuhlwa, baze emva koko babuyele emakhaya indoda nganye, umfazi ngamnye aye ententeni yakhe, besenza njalo izihlandlo ezine ngonyaka.
16 Kwakhona xa umntu wasemzini efika kwizixeko zabo aze azise impahla awayeyithengile ngenjongo yokuyilahla apho, abantu bezi zixeko babehlanganisana, amadoda, abafazi nabantwana, abancinci nabadala, baze baye kuloo ndoda bathabathe impahla yakhe ngenkani, benika umntu ngamnye inxalenye encinci de kuphele yonke impahla yomniniyo awayeyingenise ezweni.
17 Ukuba umnini-mpahla wayephikisana nabo, esithi, Ngumsebenzi onjani lo nindenzele wona, babeza kuye ngabanye ngabanye, baze ngamnye ambonise intwana ayithathileyo baze bamngcikive, besithi, Ndithathe nje intwana endinike yona; aze akuva oku kubo bonke, asukume aze ahambe kubo ebuhlungu nasebukrakra bomphefumlo, xa bonke babeza kusukuma bamlandele, baze bamkhuphele ngaphandle kwesixeko ngengxolo enkulu nesiphithiphithi.
18 Kwaye kwakukho indoda evela kwilizwe lase-Elam eyayihamba kancinci endleleni, ikhwele e-esileni layo, eyayiphethe ingubo entle enemibala eyahlukeneyo, kwaye ingubo yayibotshelelwe ngentambo e-esileni.
19 Loo ndoda yayihamba idlula esitratweni saseSodom, ilanga litshona ngokuhlwa, yahlala apho ukuze ilale khona, kodwa akukho mntu wayivumela ukuba ingene endlwini yayo; ngelo xesha kwakukho indoda embi neyitshijolo eSodom, inobuchule ekwenzeni ububi, igama layo linguHedadi.
20 Waphakamisa amehlo akhe, wambona umhambi esitratweni somzi, weza kuye, wathi, Uvela phi na?
21 Yathi indoda kuye, Ndisuka eHebron ndiya e-Elam apho ndihlala khona, kwaye njengoko ilanga litshonile akukho mntu undivumelayo ukuba ndingene endlwini yakhe, nangona bendinesonka namanzi, neengca neendiza ze-esile lam, kodwa ndiswele nto.
22 Waphendula uHedadi wathi kuye, Konke okufunayo ndiya kukunika, kodwa akuyi kulala ubusuku bonke esitratweni.
23 UHedadi wamsa endlwini yakhe, wayikhulula ingubo ende ngentambo, wayizisa endlwini yakhe, wayinika iesile umququ nokutya, ngelixa umhambi wayesidla, esela endlwini kaHedadi, walala khona ngobo busuku.
24 Wavuka kusasa umhambi ukuze aqhubeke nohambo lwakhe, uHedadi wathi kuye: “Yima, uthabathe iqhekeza lesonka uze uhambe.” Indoda leyo yenza njalo, yaza yahlala naye, badla, basela bobabini emini, xa indoda leyo yavukayo ukuze ihambe.
25 Wathi uHedadi kuye, Yabona, imini iyatshona, kungcono uhlale ubusuku bonke ukuze intliziyo yakho ithuthuzeleke. Wamcinezela kangangokuba wahlala apho ubusuku bonke, waza ngomhla wesibini wavuka kusasa ukuba ahambe, xa uHedadi wambongoza, esithi: “Xhobisa intliziyo yakho ngeqhekeza lesonka uze uhambe.” Wahlala naye, wadla naye nangomhla wesibini, waza wavuka loo ndoda ukuba iqhubeke nohambo lwayo.
26 Wathi uHedadi kuye, Yabona, imini iyatshona, hlala nam ukuze ndikuthuthuzele, uze uvuke kusasa, uhambe.
27 Kodwa loo ndoda ayizange ivume ukuhlala, kodwa yaphakama yaza yabeka isali e-esileni layo, yaza yathi isabopha isali e-esileni layo, umfazi kaHedadi wathi kumyeni wayo: “Khangela, le ndoda ihlale nathi iintsuku ezimbini isitya kwaye isela, kwaye ayisinikanga nto, ngoku iza kuhamba ingasinikanga nto?” UHedadi wathi kuye: “Yithi cwaka.”
28 Indoda yabeka isali eesileni layo ukuze ihambe, yaza yacela uHedadi ukuba ayinike intambo nesambatho ukuze ayibophe eesileni.
29 UHedadi wathi kuye: “Uthini?” Wathi yena kuye: “Nkosi yam, ndinike intambo nengubo enemibala eyahlukeneyo oyifihlile endlwini yakho ukuze ndiyigcine.”
30 UHedadi waphendula wathi kuloo ndoda, “Nantsi ingcaciso yephupha lakho, intambo oyibonileyo, ithetha ukuba ubomi bakho buya kwandiswe njengentambo, kwaye xa ubona ingubo enemibala eyahlukeneyo, ithetha ukuba uya kuba nesidiliya apho uya kutyala khona imithi yeziqhamo zonke.”
31 Umhambi waphendula wathi, Hayi, nkosi yam, kuba bendivukile xa ndikunike intambo kunye nengubo eyolukiweyo enemibala eyahlukeneyo, owayikhulula e-esileni ukuze undibeke kuyo; waphendula uHedadi wathi, Ndixelele intsingiselo yephupha lakho, kwaye liphupha elihle, kwaye nantsi intsingiselo yalo.
32 Ke kaloku oonyana babantu bandinika iisilivere ezine, endizimisela ukutolika amaphupha, kwaye ndibiza iisilivere ezintathu kuwe wedwa.
33 Yacaphuka loo ndoda ngamazwi kaHedadi, yalila kabuhlungu, yamsa kuSeraki umgwebi waseSodom.
34 Indoda yabeka ityala layo phambi koSeraki umgwebi, xa uHedadi waphendula wathi, Akunjalo, kodwa le nto imi ngolu hlobo; waza umgwebi wathi kumhambi, Lo mfo uHedadi ukuxelela inyaniso, kuba udumile ezidolophini ngokutolika ngokuchanekileyo amaphupha.
35 Indoda yamemeza ngelizwi lomgwebi, yathi, Hayi, Nkosi yam, kuba bekungemini endamnika ngayo intambo nengubo eyayisesihlalweni sakhe, ukuze azifake endlwini yakhe; baza bobabini baphikisana phambi komgwebi, omnye esithi, Le nto yenzeka ngolu hlobo, omnye esithi enye.
36 Wathi uHedadi kuloo ndoda, Ndinike iisilivere ezine endizibizayo ngokutolika amaphupha am; andiyi kukunika mali; undinike neendleko zezidlo ezine ozidlile endlwini yam.
37 Yathi indoda leyo kuHedadi, Ndiya kukuhlawula ngemali endiyidlileyo endlwini yakho, ndinike kuphela intambo nengubo oyifihlile endlwini yakho.
38 UHedadi waphendula phambi komgwebi wathi kuloo ndoda, Andikuxelelanga na intsingiselo yephupha lakho? Intambo ithetha ukuba imihla yakho iya kwandiswe njengentambo, kwaye ingubo, yokuba ube nesidiliya apho uya kutyala khona zonke iintlobo zemithi yeziqhamo.

39 Nasi ingcaciso efanelekileyo yephupha lakho, ndinike ezi silivere zine endizifunayo njengembuyekezo, kuba andiyi kukunika sibonelelo.
40 Indoda yakhala ngamazwi kaHedadi, baza bobabini baxabana phambi komgwebi, waza umgwebi wayalela abakhonzi bakhe, ababagxotha ngokungxama endlwini.
41 Basuka bephikisana nomgwebi, xa abantu baseSodom beva, bahlanganisana ngeenxa zonke, bamemeza nxamnye nomntu wasemzini, baza bamgxotha ngokungxama esixekweni.
42 Indoda yaqhubeka nohambo lwayo ikhwele iesile layo inomphefumlo okrakra, ikhala kwaye ikhala.
43 Kwaye ngelixa ehamba, walila ngento eyenzekileyo kuye kwisixeko saseSodom esonakeleyo.

ISAHLUKO 19

1 Kwaye izixeko zaseSodom zazinabagwebi abane kwizixeko ezine, kwaye la ngamagama azo: iSeraki kwisixeko saseSodom, iSharkad eGomora, iZabnaki eAdama, kunye neMenon eTsebhoyim.
2 UEliyezere umkhonzi ka-Abraham wababiza ngamagama ahlukeneyo, waza waguqula uSerak waba nguShakra, uSharkad waba nguShakrura, uZebnac waba nguKezobim, noMenon waba nguMatzlodin.
3 Kwaye ngokunqwenela kwabagwebi babo abane abantu baseSodom naseGomora babeneendawo zokulala ezitratweni zezixeko, kwaye ukuba umntu wayefika kwezi ndawo babembamba baze bamzise kwenye yeebhedi zabo, baze bamnyanzele ukuba alale kuzo ngenkani.
4 Njengoko wayelele, amadoda amathathu ayema entlokweni yakhe namadoda amathathu ezinyaweni zakhe, aze amlinganise ngobude bebhedi, kwaye ukuba indoda yayingaphantsi kwebhedi la madoda mathandathu ayemlula emacaleni omabini, aze xa ebakhalela angaphenduli.
5 Kwaye ukuba wayemde kunebhedi babeza kutsala amacala omabini ebhedi kwicala ngalinye, ade umntu afike emasangweni okufa.
6 Ukuba uthe waqhubeka ebakhalela, babeza kumphendula besithi, Kuya kwenziwa ngolu hlobo kumntu oza kungena kweli lizwe lethu.
7 Bathi abantu, bakuva konke oko bakwenzileyo abantu baseSodom, bayeka ukuya khona.
8 Xa indoda elihlwempu ifika kwilizwe labo yayinikwa isilivere negolide, kwaye yayisenza isibhengezo kulo lonke isixeko sokuba inganikwa neqhekeza lesonka lokutya, kwaye ukuba umntu wasemzini wahlala apho iintsuku ezithile, aze afe yindlala, engakwazi ukufumana neqhekeza lesonka, xa efa bonke abantu besixeko babeza kuthabatha isilivere negolide ababeyinike yena.
9 Abo babekwazi ukuyiqonda isilivere okanye igolide ababemnike yona bayithatha, kwaye ekufeni kwakhe bamhluba neengubo zakhe, baza balwa ngazo, waza lowo woyisa ummelwane wakhe wazithabatha.
10 Emva koko babemthwala baze bamngcwabe phantsi kwemithi ethile entlango; babesenza loo nto imihla ngemihla kuye nabani na owayesiza kubo aze afe elizweni labo.
11 Ekuhambeni kwexesha uSara wathumela uEliyezere eSodom, ukuya kubona uLote aze abuze ngempilo yakhe.
12 UEliyezere waya eSodom, waza wadibana nendoda yaseSodom isilwa nomntu wasemzini, kwaye indoda yaseSodom yamhluba zonke iingubo zayo indoda elihlwempu yahamba.
13 Kwaye le ndoda ilihlwempu yakhala kuEliyezere yaza yacela uncedo lwayo ngenxa yento eyayinziwe yindoda yaseSodom kuyo.
14 Wathi kuye, Kutheni na ukuba wenze ngolu hlobo kwindoda elihlwempu efikileyo kwilizwe lakho?
15 Waphendula uEliyezere indoda yaseSodom, wathi, Ngumzalwana wakho na lo, okanye ngabantu baseSodom abakumise njengomgwebi namhla, ukuba uthetha ngalo mntu?
16 UEliyezere walwa nendoda yaseSodom ngenxa yendoda elihlwempu, waza xa uEliyezere esondela ukuze athabathe iingubo zendoda elihlwempu kwindoda yaseSodom, wakhawuleza waza ngelitye wabetha uEliyezere ebunzini.
17 Igazi laphuma kakhulu ebunzini likaEliyezere, waza indoda yakubona igazi yambamba uEliyezere, yathi, Ndinike umvuzo wam ngenxa yokususa eli gazi libi ebunzini lakho, kuba linjalo isiko nomthetho kwilizwe lethu.
18 UEliyezere wathi kuye, Undilimazile waza wandibiza ukuba ndikuhlawulele umvuzo wakho; kodwa uEliyezere akavumanga ukuwaphulaphula amazwi endoda yaseSodom.
19 Indoda leyo yambamba uEliyezere, yamsa kuShakra, umgwebi waseSodom, ukuba agwetywe.
20 Indoda yathetha nomgwebi, isithi, Ndiyakubongoza nkosi yam, le ndoda yenze oku, kuba ndimbethile ngelitye kangangokuba igazi laphuma ebunzini lakhe, kwaye akafuni kundinika umvuzo wam.
21 Umgwebi wathi kuEliyezere, Lo mntu uthetha inyaniso kuwe, mnike umvuzo wakhe, kuba le yindlela yokwenza izinto kwilizwe lethu; waza uEliyezere weva amazwi omgwebi, waphakamisa ilitye, wabetha umgwebi, ilitye labetha ebunzini lakhe, igazi laphuma kakhulu ebunzini lomgwebi, waza uEliyezere wathi, Ukuba ke le yindlela yokwenza izinto kwilizwe lenu, mnikeni lo mntu into ebendifanele ukumnika yona, kuba le yindlela eniyimiseleyo, niyimisele.
22 UEliyezere wamshiya indoda yaseSodom nomgwebi, wahamba.
23 Xa ookumkani base-Elam babelwe nookumkani baseSodom, ookumkani base-Elam bathimba yonke impahla yaseSodom, baza bathimba uLote kunye nempahla yakhe, kwaye xa uAbraham waxelelwa ukuba uye walwa nookumkani base-Elam, waza wabuyisa ezandleni zabo yonke impahla kaLote kunye nempahla yaseSodom.
24 Ngelo xesha umkaLote wamzalela intombi, waza wayibiza ngokuba nguPaltiti, esithi, “Kungenxa yokuba uThixo wayemhlangule yena nendlu yakhe yonke kookumkani bakwa-Elam.” Wakhula ke uPaltiti, intombi kaLote, waza omnye wamadoda aseSodom wamthabatha njengomfazi.”
25 Kwafika indoda elihlwempu kwisixeko ukuya kufuna ukutya, yaza yahlala esixekweni imihla ethile, baza bonke abantu baseSodom bavakalisa isiko labo lokuba bangamniki le ndoda iqhekeza lesonka, ide iwele emhlabeni, baza benza njalo.
26 Kwaye uPalti intombi kaLote yambona lo mntu elele ezitalatweni elambile yindlala, kwaye akukho mntu wayeza

kumnika nantoni na yokumgcina ephila, kwaye wayesele eza kufa.
27 Umphefumlo wakhe wazala yimfesane ngenxa yendoda, waza wayipha isonka ngasese kangangeentsuku ezininzi, waza umphefumlo wale ndoda waphila.
28 Kuba xa wayephuma esiya kukha amanzi wayebeka isonka epanini yamanzi, aze akufika kwindawo apho indoda elihlwempu yayikhona, athabathe isonka epanini aze anike loo ndoda ukuba itye; wenza njalo imihla emininzi.
29 Bonke abantu baseSodom naseGomora bazibuza ukuba le ndoda ikwazile njani ukunyamezela indlala kangangeentsuku ezininzi kangaka.
30 Bathi omnye komnye, Oku kuphela kukuba adle aze asele, kuba akukho mntu unokunyamezela indlala kangangeentsuku ezininzi okanye aphile ubomi obufana nalo mntu, ngaphandle kokutshintsha kobuso bakhe; amadoda amathathu azimela kwindawo apho indoda elihlwempu yayimi khona, ukuze azi ukuba ngubani omzisele isonka.
31 Kwaye intombi kaPaltiti kaLote yaphuma ngaloo mini ukuya kukha amanzi, yaza yafaka isonka emphandeni wayo wamanzi, yaza yaya kukha amanzi ecaleni kwendoda elihlwempu, yaza yakhupha isonka emphandeni yasinika indoda elihlwempu, yasidla.
32 Amadoda amathathu akubona oko uPaltiti wayekwenzele indoda elihlwempu, athi kuye, Nguwe ke oye wamxhasa, ngoko ke akalambanga, akatshintshanga imbonakalo, akafanga njengabanye.
33 Aphuma ke amadoda amathathu kuloo ndawo ayezimele kuyo, athabatha uPalti nesonka esasisesandleni sendoda elihlwempu.
34 Bamthabatha uPalti baza bamzisa phambi kwabagwebi babo, bathi kubo, Wenze njalo, yaye nguye owayenika indoda elihlwempu isonka, ngoko ke akafanga lonke eli xesha; ngoko ke sixeleleni isohlwayo salo mfazi ngokwaphula umthetho wethu.
35 Abantu baseSodom naseGomora bahlanganisana baza batshisa umlilo esitratweni somzi, baza bamthabatha umfazi bamphosa emlilweni, watsha waba luthuthu.
36 Kwaye kwisixeko sase-Adma kwakukho umfazi abamenza okufanayo.
37 Kwafika umhambi kwisixeko sase-Adma ukuze alale apho ubusuku bonke, enenjongo yokuya ekhaya kusasa, wahlala malunga nomnyango wendlu kayise wentombazana, ukuze ahlale apho, njengoko ilanga lalisele litshonile xa lifika kuloo ndawo; yaza intombi yambona ehleli ngasemnyango wendlu.
38 Wacela amanzi okusela kuye, wathi kuye, Ungubani na? Wathi kuye, Bendihamba endleleni namhlanje, ndafika apha ilanga litshonile, ngoko ke ndiza kulala apha ubusuku bonke, ndize kusasa ndivuke kusasa ndiqhubeke nohambo lwam.
39 Yangena endlwini intombi leyo, yamzisela isonka namanzi loo ndoda, yadla, yasela.
40 Kwaye le nto yaziwa ngabantu baseAdma, baza bahlanganisana baza bayizisa intombi phambi kwabagwebi, ukuze bayigwebe ngenxa yesi senzo.
41 Waza umgwebi wathi, Isigwebo sokufa masidlule phezu kwalo mfazi kuba waphule umthetho wethu, kwaye ke ngoko sisigqibo esiphathelele yena.
42 Abantu bezo zixeko bahlanganisana baza bakhupha loo ntombazana, bayithambisa ngobusi ukusuka entloko ukuya ezinyaweni, njengoko umgwebi wayetshilo, baza bayibeka phambi kweqela leenyosi ezazisezindlwini zazo ngelo xesha, zaza iinyosi zabhabha zayihlaba kangangokuba umzimba wayo wonke wadumba.
43 Kwaye intombi yakhala ngenxa yeenyosi, kodwa akukho mntu wayiqaphelayo okanye owayivelayo, kwaye ukukhala kwayo kwanyuka kwaya ezulwini.
44 Kwaye iNkosi yacaphuka yile nto nayiyo yonke imisebenzi yezixeko zaseSodom, kuba zazinokutya okuninzi, kwaye zinoxolo phakathi kwazo, kodwa zazingenakuzixhasa iintsizana nabasweleyo, kwaye ngaloo mihla izenzo zabo ezimbi nezono zaba nkulu phambi kweNkosi.
45 Kwaye iNkosi yathumela ukuba kubizwe izithunywa ezimbini ezazize endlwini ka-Abraham, ukuze zitshabalalise iSodom nemizi yayo.
46 Iingelosi zaphuma emnyango wentente ka-Abraham, emva kokuba zidlile kwaye zisele, zaza zafika eSodom ngokuhlwa, kwaye uLote wayehleli esangweni laseSodom, waza akubabona wasukuma waya kuzihlangabeza, waza waqubuda emhlabeni.
47 Wabanyanzela kakhulu, wabangenisa endlwini yakhe, wabanika ukudla, badla; bahlala ubusuku bonke endlwini yakhe.
48 Izithunywa zathi kuLote, Suka, phuma kule ndawo, wena nabo bonke abanawe, hleze utshabalale ngenxa yobugwenxa balo mzi, kuba iNkosi iya kuyitshabalalisa le ndawo.
49 Kwaye iingelosi zabamba isandla sikaLote nesandla somkakhe, nezandla zabantwana bakhe, nazo zonke izinto ezizezakhe, zaza zamkhupha zaza zambeka ngaphandle kwezixeko.
50 Bathi kuLote, Baleka ngenxa yomphefumlo wakho; wabaleka yena nayo yonke into yakhe.
51 UYehova wanisa phezu kweSodom neGomora naphezu kwayo yonke loo mizi isulfure nomlilo, zivela kuYehova ezulwini.
52 Waza wazibhukuqa ezi zixeko, lonke ithafa nabo bonke abemi bezixeko, noko kuhlumayo emhlabeni; waza uAdo umfazi kaLote wajonga ngasemva ukuze abone ukutshatyalaliswa kwezixeko, kuba inceba yakhe yashukunyiswa ngenxa yeentombi zakhe ezazisele eSodom, kuba azizange zihambe naye.
53 Wathi akujonga ngasemva waba yintsika yetyuwa, kwaye iselapho nanamhlanje.
54 Iinkomo ezazimi kuloo ndawo imihla ngemihla zazikhotha ityuwa ukuya kuma emacaleni eenyawo zazo, kwaye kusasa yayiza kuphuma ngokutsha, baze bayikhotha kwakhona kude kube namhlanje.
55 ULote neentombi zakhe ezimbini ezazisele naye babaleka baza babalekela emqolombeni waseAdulam, bahlala apho okwethutyana.
56 UAbraham wavuka kusasa ukuze abone oko kwenzekileyo kwizixeko zaseSodom; wakhangela waza wabona umsi wezixeko unyuka njengomsi weziko.
57 ULote neentombi zakhe ezimbini bahlala emqolombeni, baza bamseza uyise iwayini, baza balala naye, kuba babesithi akukho mntu emhlabeni onokuvelisa imbewu

kubo, kuba babecinga ukuba umhlaba wonke utshatyalalisiwe.
58 Bobabini balala noyise, baza bamitha bazala oonyana, waza unyana omkhulu wamthiya igama lonyana wakhe uMowabhi, esithi, Ndimkhulelwe ngubawo; nguye uyise wamaMowabhi unanamhla.
59 Nencinci yamthiya igama elinguBhenami; yena nguyise woonyana baka-Amoni unanamhla.
60 Emva koko uLote neentombi zakhe ezimbini bemka apho, wahlala ngaphesheya kweYordan neentombi zakhe ezimbini noonyana bazo, baza oonyana bakaLote bakhula, baza baya kuzithabathela abafazi kwilizwe lakwaKanan, bazala abantwana baza banda.

ISAHLUKO 20

1 Ngaloo xesha uAbraham wanduluka eMiokini yaseMamre, waya ezweni lamaFilisti, wahlala eGerare; kwakungomnyaka wamashumi amabini anesihlanu wokuhlala kuka-Abraham ezweni lakwaKanan, nomnyaka wekhulu wobomi buka-Abraham, wafika eGerare ezweni lamaFilisti.
2 Kwathi bakufika kwelo lizwe, wathi kuSara umkakhe, Yithi ungudade wethu, kubo bonke abakubuzayo, ukuze sibaleke ububi babemi beli lizwe.
3 Kwathi uAbraham ehlala ezweni lamaFilisti, abakhonzi baka-Abhimeleki, ukumkani wamaFilisti, babona ukuba uSara wayemhle kakhulu, bambuza uAbraham ngaye, wathi, Ngudade wethu.
4 Bafika abakhonzi baka-Abhimeleki kuAbhimeleki, bathi, Kufike indoda evela ezweni lakwaKanan, yaphambukela kweli lizwe; inodade wayo omhle kakhulu.
5 UAbhimeleki weva amazwi abakhonzi bakhe ababemdumisa uSara, waza uAbhimeleki wathumela abakhonzi bakhe, bamzisa uSara kukumkani.
6 USara wafika endlwini ka-Abhimeleki, ukumkani wabona ukuba uSara wayemhle kakhulu, wamthanda kakhulu.
7 Wasondela kuye, wathi kuye, Ngubani na loo ndoda ufikile nayo kweli lizwe lethu? Waphendula uSara wathi, Ngumnakwethu, sivela ezweni lakwaKanan, size kuhlala naphi na apho singafumana khona indawo.
8 Wathi uAbhimeleki kuSara, Yabona, ilizwe lam liphambi kwakho, mbeke umnakwenu nakweyiphi na indawo kweli lizwe oyifunayo, kwaye kuya kuba ngumsebenzi wethu ukumphakamisa nokumphakamisa ngaphezu kwabo bonke abantu beli lizwe kuba engumzalwana wakho.
9 UAbhimeleki wathumela ukuba kubizwe uAbraham; uAbraham waya kuAbhimeleki.
10 Wathi uAbhimeleki kuAbraham, Yabona, ndikuwisele umthetho wokuba uzukiswe ngenxa kaSara udadewenu, njengoko unqwenela.
11 Waphuma uAbraham kukumkani; isipho sikakumkani salandela emva kwakhe.
12 Njengasebusuku, ngaphambi kokuba abantu balale phantsi ukuze balale, ukumkani wayehleli etroneni yakhe, waza walala ubuthongo obukhulu, walala etroneni walala kwada kwasa.
13 Waphupha isithunywa seNkosi sifika kuye sinekrele elirholiweyo esandleni sakhe, kwaye isithunywa sasimi phezu kuka-Abhimeleki, sinqwenela ukumbulala ngekrele, waza ukumkani woyika ephupheni lakhe, wathi kwisithunywa, Ndone ngantoni na kuwe ukuba uze kundibulala ngekrele lakho?
14 Isithunywa saphendula sathi kuAbhimeleki, Yabona, uya kufa ngenxa yomfazi omzise endlwini yakho izolo ebusuku, kuba ngumfazi otshatileyo, umfazi ka-Abraham oze endlwini yakho; ngoko ke mbuyisele loo mfo umfazi wakhe, kuba ngumfazi wakhe; ukuba awumbuyisi, yazi ukuba uya kufa ngokuqinisekileyo, wena nabo bonke onabo.
15 Kwaza ngobo busuku kwabakho isikhalo esikhulu kwilizwe lamaFilisti, kwaye abemi belizwe babona umfanekiso wendoda imi iphethe ikrele elirholiweyo esandleni sayo, kwaye yabulala abemi belizwe ngekrele, ewe yaqhubeka nokubabulala.
16 Isithunywa sikaYehova salitshabalalisa lonke ilizwe lamaFilisti ngobo busuku, kwabakho isiphithiphithi esikhulu ngobo busuku nangengomso.
17 Zonke izibeleko zazivaliwe, nazo zonke iinzala zabo, isandla sikaYehova saba phezu kwabo ngenxa kaSara, umfazi ka-Abraham, awamthabathayo uAbhimeleki.
18 Kwathi kusasa uAbhimeleki wavuka enoloyiko, edidekile, enoloyiko olukhulu, wathumela ukuba kubizwe abakhonzi bakhe, wabaxelela iphupha lakhe; abantu boyika kakhulu.
19 Indoda ethile eyayimi phakathi kwabakhonzi bokumkani yaphendula ukumkani, yathi, Owu kumkani, buyisela lo mfazi kumyeni wakhe, kuba ngumyeni wakhe, kuba kwenzeka okufanayo kukumkani waseYiputa xa lo mfo efika eYiputa.
20 Wathi ngomkakhe, Ngudade wethu; kuba unjalo umthetho wakhe, xa eze kuhlala ezweni aphambukele kulo.
21 UFaro wathumela waza wathabatha lo mfazi waba ngumfazi, waza uYehova wamzisela izibetho ezibuhlungu, wada wambuyisela umfazi kumyeni wakhe.
22 Ke ngoko, kumkani kumkani, yazi okwenzekileyo izolo kulo lonke ilizwe, kuba bekukho uloyiko olukhulu kakhulu nentlungu enkulu nesijwili, kwaye siyazi ukuba kungenxa yomfazi omthathileyo.
23 Ke ngoko, mbuyiseleni lo mfazi endodeni yakhe, hleze asihlele njengoko kwenzekileyo kuFaro ukumkani waseYiputa nakubantu bakhe, size singafi; waza uAbhimeleki wakhawuleza wabiza waza wabiza uSara, waza weza phambi kwakhe, waza yena wabiza uAbraham, waza weza phambi kwakhe.
24 UAbhimeleki wathi kubo, Nithini na le nto niyenzayo, nisithi ningabantakwenu noodade wenu, ndize mna ndimthathe lo mfazi abe ngumfazi wenu?
25 Wathi uAbraham, Ndicinga ukuba ndiza kufa ngenxa yomfazi wam; uAbhimeleki wathabatha imihlambi yeegusha, neenkomo, nabakhonzi, nabakhonzi, newaka leeshekele zesilivere, wanika uAbraham; wambuyisela uSara kuye.
26 Wathi uAbhimeleki kuAbraham, Yabona, ilizwe lonke liphambi kwakho; hlala kulo apho uthanda khona.
27 UAbraham noSara, umfazi wakhe, bemka ebusweni bokumkani benembeko nentlonelo, baza bahlala elizweni, naseGerare.
28 Bonke abemi belizwe lamaFilisti nabakhonzi bokumkani babesabandezeleka, ngenxa yesibetho ingelosi eyayibahlasele ubusuku bonke ngenxa kaSara.

29 UAbhimeleki wathumela kuAbraham, esithi, Khawuthandazele abakhonzi bakho kuYehova uThixo wakho, ukuba akususe oku kufa phakathi kwethu.
30 UAbraham wathandaza ngenxa ka-Abhimeleki nabantu bakhe, waza uYehova wawuva umthandazo ka-Abraham, wamphilisa uAbhimeleki nabo bonke abantu bakhe.

ISAHLUKO 21

1 Kwathi ngaloo mihla, ekupheleni konyaka oneenyanga ezine zokuhlala kuka-Abraham ezweni lamaFilisti eGerare, uThixo wamvelela uSara; uYehova wamkhumbula; wamitha, wamzalela uAbraham unyana.
2 UAbraham wamthiya igama unyana wakhe awamzalelwayo, awamzalelwa nguSara, igama elinguIsake.
3 UAbraham wamalusa unyana wakhe uIsake eneminyaka esibhozo ubudala, njengoko uThixo wayemyalele uAbraham ukuba enze kwimbewu yakhe emva kwakhe; uAbraham wayeneminyaka elikhulu, noSara eneminyaka engamashumi asithoba ubudala, ekuzalweni kwabo uIsake.
4 Wakhula umntwana, walunyulwa; uAbraham wenza isidlo esikhulu mhla walunyulwa uIsake.
5 UShem noEbhere, nabo bonke abantu abakhulu belizwe, noAbhimeleki ukumkani wamaFilisti, nabakhonzi bakhe, noFikoli, umthetheli womkhosi wakhe, beza kudla, basele, bavuya emthendelekweni awawenzayo uAbraham ngomhla wokulunyulwa konyana wakhe uIsake.
6 UTera, uyise ka-Abraham, noNahore umntakwabo, bavela eHaran, bona nabo bonke abangababo, kuba bavuya kakhulu bakuva ukuba uSara uzalelwe unyana.
7 Bafika kuAbraham, badla, basela emthendelekweni awawenzayo uAbraham ngomhla wokulunyulwa kukaIsake.
8 UTera noNahore bavuya noAbraham, bahlala naye imihla emininzi ezweni lamaFilisti.
9 Ngelo xesha wafa uSerugi unyana kaRewu, ngomnyaka wokuqala wokuzalwa kukaIsake unyana ka-Abraham.
10 Yaye yonke imihla kaSerugi yayingamakhulu amabini anamashumi amathathu anesithoba eminyaka, waza wafa.
11 Wakhula uIshmayeli, unyana ka-Abraham, ngaloo mihla, eneminyaka elishumi elinesine ubudala, xa uSara wamzalela uAbraham uIsake.
12 UThixo wayenoIshmayeli unyana ka-Abraham, wakhula, wafunda ukusebenzisa isaphetha, waba ngumtoli.
13 Xa uIsake wayeneminyaka emihlanu ubudala, wayehleli noIshmayeli emnyango wentente.
14 UIshmayeli waya kuIsake, wahlala malunga naye, wathabatha isaphetha, wasirhola, wafaka utolo kuso, eceba ukumbulala uIsake.
15 USara wasibona isenzo uIshmayeli awayenqwenela ukusenza kunyana wakhe uIsake, waba buhlungu kakhulu ngenxa yonyana wakhe, wathumela kuAbraham, wathi kuye, Mgxothe lo mkhonzazana nonyana wakhe, kuba unyana wakhe akayi kuba lilifa kunye nonyana wam, kuba wayefuna ukwenza njalo kuye namhla.
16 UAbraham waliphulaphula ilizwi likaSara, wavuka kusasa, wathabatha izonka ezilishumi elinambini nentsuba yamanzi, wayinika uHagare, wamndulula nonyana wakhe, waya entlango nonyana wakhe, bahlala entlango yaseParan nabemi basentlango, uIshmayeli wayengumtoli, wahlala entlango ixesha elide.
17 Emva koko yena nonina baya kwilizwe laseYiputa, baza bahlala apho, waza uHagare wamthabathela umfazi unyana wakhe eYiputa, ogama lakhe linguMeribha.
18 Kwaye umfazi kaIshmayeli wamitha waza wazala oonyana abane neentombi ezimbini, waza uIshmayeli nonina nomfazi wakhe nabantwana bakhe emva koko bahamba baza babuyela entlango.
19 Kwaye bazenzela iintente entlango, apho babehlala khona, baza baqhubeka nokuhamba baze emva koko baphumle inyanga nenyanga.
20 UThixo wamnika uIshmayeli imihlambi yezimvu, neenkomo, neentente, ngenxa ka-Abraham uyise; indoda leyo yanda kakhulu.
21 UIshmayeli wahlala entlango nasezintenteni, ehambahamba kwaye ephumle ixesha elide, kwaye akazange abubone ubuso bukayise.
22 Emva kwexesha elithile, uAbraham wathi kuSara umkakhe, Ndiya kuya kubona unyana wam uIshmayeli, kuba ndinqwenela ukumbona, kuba andimbonanga ixesha elide.
23 UAbraham wakhwela enye yeenkamela zakhe waya entlango ukuya kufuna unyana wakhe uIshmayeli, kuba wayevile ukuba uhlala ententeni entlango kunye nabo bonke abakhe.
24 UAbraham waya entlango, wafika ententeni kaIshmayeli malunga nemini emini, waza wabuza uIshmayeli, waza wafumana umfazi kaIshmayeli ehleli ententeni nabantwana bakhe, uIshmayeli indoda yakhe nonina bengekho kunye nabo.
25 UAbraham wabuza umfazi kaIshmayeli, esithi, Uye phi uIshmayeli? Wathi yena, Uye endle ukuya kuzingela, uAbraham wayesakhwele ikamela, kuba wayengafuni ukuya emhlabeni njengoko wayefungile kumkakhe uSara ukuba akayi kuphuma ekameleni.
26 Wathi uAbraham kumkaIshmayeli, Ntombi yam, ndiphe intwana yamanzi ndisele, kuba ndidiniwe luhambo.
27 UmkaIshmayeli waphendula wathi kuAbraham, Asinamanzi nasonka, wahlala ententeni, akamqaphelanga uAbraham, akambuzanga nokuba ungubani na.
28 Kodwa wayebetha abantwana bakhe ententeni, kwaye wayebaqalekisa, kwaye wayeqalekisa nomyeni wakhe uIshmayeli kwaye emngcikiva, kwaye uAbraham weva amazwi omfazi kaIshmayeli kubantwana bakhe, kwaye waba nomsindo kakhulu kwaye wayecaphukile.
29 UAbraham wambiza umfazi ukuba aphume ententeni, eze kuye; weza umfazi, wema phambi koAbraham; kuba uAbraham wayesekhwele enkameleni.
30 Wathi uAbraham kumkaIshmayeli, Xa uIshmayeli indoda yakho ebuya ekhaya, uze uthi kuye,
31 Indoda endala kakhulu evela kwilizwe lamaFilisti ize apha ukuza kukufuna, kwaye yayinjalo imbonakalo yayo nembonakalo yayo; andimbuzanga ukuba ingubani, kwaye ekubeni ungekho apha yathetha nam yathi, Xa uIshmayeli umyeni wakho ebuya, mxelele ukuba le ndoda itshilo ukuthi, Xa ufika ekhaya susa esi sikhonkwane sentente oyibeke apha, uze ubeke esinye isikhonkwane endaweni yaso.
32 UAbraham wagqiba imiyalelo yakhe kumfazi, wajika wakhwela ikamela ebuyela ekhaya.

33 Emva koko uIshmayeli wabuya ekusukeleni, yena nonina, wabuyela ententeni; umkakhe wathetha la mazwi kuye, esithi:
34 Indoda endala kakhulu evela kwilizwe lamaFilisti ize kukufuna, kwaye yayinjalo imbonakalo yayo nembonakalo yayo; andimbuzanga ukuba ingubani, kwaye ekubeni ubungekho ekhaya, yathi kum, Xa indoda yakho ifika ekhaya yixelele, itsho njalo indoda endala, Susa isikhonkwane sentente oyibeke apha uze ubeke esinye isikhonkwane endaweni yaso.
35 UIshmayeli weva amazwi omkakhe, waza wazi ukuba nguyise, nokuba umkakhe wayengamhloniphi.
36 Waza uIshmayeli wawaqonda amazwi kayise awayewathethile kumkakhe, waza uIshmayeli waliphulaphula ilizwi likayise, waza uIshmayeli wamlahla loo mfazi waza wemka.
37 Emva koko uIshmayeli waya kwilizwe laseKanan, waza wathabatha omnye umfazi waza wamsa ententeni yakhe kwindawo awayehlala kuyo ngoko.
38 Kwathi ekupheleni kweminyaka emithathu uAbraham wathi, Ndiya kuphinda ndiye kumbona uIshmayeli unyana wam, kuba andimbonanga kudala.
39 Wakhwela ikamela yakhe waza waya entlango, wafika ententeni kaIshmayeli malunga nemini enkulu.
40 Wabuza uIshmayeli, waza umfazi wakhe waphuma ententeni, wathi, Akakho apha nkosi yam, kuba uye kuzingela emasimini, wondla iinkamela, waza umfazi wathi kuAbraham, Ngena ententeni nkosi yam, udle iqhekeza lesonka, kuba umphefumlo wakho uya kuba udiniwe luhambo.
41 Wathi uAbraham kuye, Andiyi kuyeka, kuba ndingxamile ukuhamba, ndiphe nje amanzi ndisele, kuba ndinxaniwe; wakhawuleza umfazi, wagidima waya ententeni, wazisa amanzi nesonka kuAbraham, wabeka phambi kwakhe, wamcenga ukuba adle; wadla, wasela, yathuthuzeleka intliziyo yakhe, wamsikelela unyana wakhe uIshmayeli.
42 Wakugqiba ukutya kwakhe, wambonga uYehova, wathi kumkaIshmayeli, Xa uIshmayeli efika ekhaya, yitsho la mazwi kuye,
43 Indoda endala kakhulu evela kwilizwe lamaFilisti ifikile apha, yabuza ukuba ubungekho apha, ndayiphathela isonka namanzi, yadla, yasela, yathuthuzeleka intliziyo yayo.
44 Waza wathetha la mazwi kum: Xa uIshmayeli umyeni wakho efika ekhaya, yithi kuye, Isikhonkwane sentente onayo silungile kakhulu, musa ukusibeka kude nentente.
45 Wakugqiba uAbraham ukuyalela umfazi, wakhwela inqwelo waya ekhayeni lakhe kwilizwe lamaFilisti; waza uIshmayeli wafika ententeni yakhe, umfazi wakhe waphuma waya kumhlangabeza ngovuyo nangentliziyo echwayitileyo.
46 Yathi kuye, Kufike indoda endala ivela ezweni lamaFilisti, injalo inkangeleko yayo; yabuza kuwe, awukho apha; ndizise isonka namanzi, yadla, yasela, yathuthuzeleka intliziyo yayo.
47 Waza wathetha la mazwi kum, Xa uIshmayeli umyeni wakho efika ekhaya, yitsho kuye, Isikhonkwane sentente onayo silungile kakhulu, musa ukusibeka kude nentente.
48 Waza uIshmayeli wazi ukuba nguyise, nokuba umkakhe wayemhloniphile, waza uYehova wamsikelela uIshmayeli.

ISAHLUKO 22

1 Wasuka ke uIshmayeli wathabatha umkakhe nabantwana bakhe nemfuyo yakhe nayo yonke into awayenayo, wemka apho waya kuyise ezweni lamaFilisti.
2 UAbraham wamxelela unyana wakhe uIshmayeli isivumelwano nomfazi wokuqala awamthabathayo uIshmayeli, ngokwento ayenzileyo.
3 UIshmayeli nabantwana bakhe bahlala noAbraham imihla emininzi kwelo lizwe, uAbraham wahlala ezweni lamaFilisti ixesha elide.
4 Zanda iintsuku zaya zifikelela kwiminyaka engamashumi amabini anesithandathu, emva koko uAbraham waphuma ezweni lamaFilisti, enabakhonzi bakhe, nabo bonke ababenaye, baya kude; bafika eHebron, bahlala khona; abakhonzi baka-Abraham bemba amaqula amanzi, uAbraham nabo bonke ababenaye bahlala ngasemanzini; zeva abakhonzi baka-Abhimeleki, ukumkani wamaFilisti, ukuba abakhonzi baka-Abraham bembe amaqula amanzi emideni yelizwe.
5 Beza baxabana nabakhonzi baka-Abraham, baza babaphanga iqula elikhulu ababelimbile.
6 UAbhimeleki, ukumkani wamaFilisti, weva ngale nto, weza kuAbraham, yena noFikoli, umthetheli womkhosi wakhe, namadoda akhe angamashumi amabini; uAbhimeleki wathetha noAbraham ngabakhonzi bakhe, uAbraham wamkhalimela uAbhimeleki ngomthombo wamanzi awayewuphangiwe ngabakhonzi bakhe.
7 Wathi uAbhimeleki kuAbraham, Ehleli nje uYehova, owadala ihlabathi lonke, andivanga ngesenzo abasenze abakhonzi bam kubakhonzi bakho, unanamhla.
8 UAbraham wathabatha amatakane eegusha asixhenxe, wawanika uAbhimeleki, esithi, Khawuwathabathe la esandleni sam, abe bubungqina bam bokuba ndilimbile eli qula.
9 UAbhimeleki wathabatha amatakane ezimvu asixhenxe awayewanike uAbraham, kuba wayemnike neenkomo neenkomo ezininzi, waza uAbhimeleki wafunga kuAbraham ngalo mthombo, ngenxa yoko walibiza elo qula ngokuthi yiBher-shebha, kuba bafunga ngalo bobabini.
10 Benza umnqophiso bobabini eBher-shebha, wesuka uAbhimeleki, noFikoli, umthetheli womkhosi wakhe, nabo bonke abantu bakhe, babuyela ezweni lamaFilisti; uAbraham wahlala eBher-shebha, wahlala ixesha elide kwelo lizwe.
11 UAbraham watyala isihlahla esikhulu eBher-shebha, waza wasenza amasango amane ajonge kumacala omane omhlaba, waza watyala isidiliya kuso, kangangokuba ukuba umhambi wayefika kuAbraham wayengena nakweyiphi na isango elalisendleleni yakhe, ahlale apho, adle, asele, aneliseke, aze emva koko ahambe.
12 Kuba indlu ka-Abraham yayisoloko ivulelekile kubantwana babantu ababedlula bebuya bebuya, ababesiza imihla ngemihla ukuze badle baze basele endlwini ka-Abraham.
13 Nabani na owayelambile aze eze endlwini ka-Abraham, uAbraham wayemnika isonka ukuze adle, asele aze aneliseke, kwaye nabani na owayeza ze endlwini yakhe wayembathisa iingubo ngendlela anokukhetha ngayo, aze amnike isilivere negolide aze amazise iNkosi eyamdala emhlabeni; oku wakwenza uAbraham ubomi bakhe bonke.

14 UAbraham nabantwana bakhe nabo bonke abanabo bahlala eBhershebha, wamisa intente yakhe waya kufika eHebron.
15 UNahore, umntakwabo Abraham, noyise, nabo bonke abangababo, bahlala eHaran, kuba abazange beze noAbraham ezweni lakwaKanan.
16 Wazalelwa uNahore oonyana, awabazalelwa nguMilka, intombi kaHaran, udade boSara, umka-Abraham.
17 Ngawo la amagama abo wazalelwa bona: u-Utse, noBhuzi, noKemuweli, noKesedi, noHazo, noPildashe, noTidelafi, noBhetuweli, oonyana abasibhozo, abo ngabantwana bakaMilka awabazalela uNahore, umninawa ka-Abraham.
18 UNahore wayeneshweshwe eligama linguReuma, waza wazala noNahore, noZebhaki, noGakashe, noTakashe, noMahaka, oonyana abane.
19 Abantwana abazalelwa uNahore babengoonyana abalishumi elinesibini ngaphandle kweentombi zakhe, baza bazalelwa nabantwana eHaran.
20 Oonyana baka-Utse, izibulo likaNahore, nguAbhi, noKerefe, noGadin, noMelus, noDebhora udade wabo.
21 Oonyana bakaBhuzi yayinguBherakeli, noNahamati, noSheva, noMadon.
22 Oonyana bakaKemuweli yayinguAram noRekobhi.
23 Oonyana bakaKesedi yayinguAnamleki, uMeshayi, uBhenon noYifi; oonyana bakaHazo yayinguPildashe, uMeki no-Ofere.
24 Oonyana bakaPildashe nguArudi, noHamum, noMeredi, noMoleki.
25 Oonyana bakaTidlaf yayinguMushan, uKushan noMutsi.
26 Oonyana bakaBhetuweli yayinguSekare, noLabhan, noRebheka udade wabo.
27 Zizo ezi iintsapho zoonyana bakaNahore, abazalelwa bona eHaran; uAram unyana kaKemuweli noRekobhi umntakwabo bemka eHaran, bafumana intlambo ezweni elingasemlanjeni iEfrati.
28 Bakha umzi apho, baza bawubiza loo mzi ngegama likaPetore, unyana ka-Aram, onguAram-naherayim, unanamhla.
29 Oonyana bakaKesede nabo baya kuhlala apho babenokufumana khona indawo, baza baya bafumana intlambo ephambi kwelizwe laseShinare, bahlala khona.
30 Bakha umzi apho, baza bawubiza loo mzi ngokuthi yiKesede ngegama likayise, eli lilizwe lamaKadim unanamhla. AmaKadim ahlala kwelo lizwe, azala, anda kakhulu.
31 UTera, uyise kaNahore noAbraham, waya wathabatha omnye umfazi ekwaluphaleni kwakhe, igama lakhe yayinguPelila, waza wakhulelwa waza wamzalela unyana, waza wamthiya igama elinguTsobha.
32 UTera wahlala iminyaka engamashumi amabini anesihlanu emva kokuzala kwakhe uTsobha.
33 UTera wafa ngaloo nyaka, ngonyaka wamashumi amathathu anesihlanu wokuzalwa kukaIsake unyana ka-Abraham.
34 Imihla kaTera yaba yiminyaka emakhulu mabini anesihlanu, wangcwatyelwa eHaran.
35 UZobha unyana kaTera wahlala iminyaka engamashumi amathathu, wazala uAram, noAklis, noMerik.
36 UAram unyana kaTsobha, unyana kaTera, wayenabafazi abathathu, wazala oonyana abalishumi elinababini neentombi ezintathu; uYehova wamnika uAram unyana kaTsobha ubutyebi, nempahla, nentabalala yeenkomo, nemihlambi yeenkomo, nemihlambi yeenkomo; yanda kakhulu loo ndoda.
37 UAram unyana kaZobha nomntakwabo nayo yonke indlu yakhe basuka eHaran, baya kuhlala apho babeya kufumana khona indawo, kuba umhlaba wabo wawumkhulu kakhulu ukuba ungahlala eHaran; kuba babengenakuma eHaran kunye nabazalwana babo oonyana bakaNahore.
38 UAram unyana kaZoba wahamba nabazalwana bakhe, bafumana intlambo kude ngasempuma, baza bahlala apho.
39 Bakha umzi apho, baza bawubiza ngokuba yiAram, igama lomninawa wabo omkhulu; yiAram-Zoba leyo unanamhla.
40 UIsake unyana ka-Abraham wayekhula ngaloo mihla, kwaye uAbraham uyise wamfundisa indlela yeNkosi yokwazi iNkosi, kwaye iNkosi yayinaye.
41 Kwathi uIsake eneminyaka engamashumi amathathu anesixhenxe ubudala, uIshmayeli umntakwabo wayehambahamba naye ententeni.
42 UIshmayeli wazigwagwisa kuIsake, esithi, Ndandineminyaka elishumi elinesithathu ubudala xa iNkosi yathetha nobawo ukuba asaluse, kwaye ndenza ngokwelizwi leNkosi eyalithethayo kubawo, kwaye ndanikela umphefumlo wam eNkosini, kwaye andizange ndiwugqithe umthetho wayo awawuyalela ubawo.
43 UIsake wamphendula uIshmayeli, wathi, Yini na ukuba undiqhayisele ngale nto, ngentwana yenyama yakho oyithabathileyo esizalweni sakho, uYehova akuwisele umthetho ngayo?
44 Njengoko uYehova ephila, uThixo kabawo uAbraham, ukuba uYehova ebenokuthi kubawo, Thabatha unyana wakho uIsake, umzise umnikelo phambi kwam, andiyi kuyeka kodwa bendiya kuwuvuma ngovuyo.
45 Waliva uYehova ilizwi awalithethayo uIsake kuIshmayeli, kwalunga emehlweni kaYehova, wacinga ukumvavanya uAbraham ngale nto.
46 Yafika imini apho oonyana bakaThixo beza bazimisa phambi kweNkosi, noSathana naye weza noonyana bakaThixo phambi kweNkosi.
47 Wathi uYehova kuSathana, Uvela phi na? USathana wamphendula uYehova, wathi, Ekuzulazuleni emhlabeni, nasekuhambenihamba kuwo.
48 INkosi yathi kuSathana, Uthini na kum ngabo bonke abantwana bomhlaba? USathana waphendula iNkosi wathi, Ndibabonile bonke abantwana bomhlaba abakukhonzayo, ndikukhumbula xa befuna nantoni na kuwe.
49 Kwaye xa ubanika into abayifunayo kuwe, bahlala ngokukhululeka, bakushiye kwaye abasayi kukukhumbula.
50 Ngaba umbonile uAbraham unyana kaTera, owayengenabantwana ekuqaleni, waza wakukhonza waza wakha izibingelelo kuwe naphi na apho wayefika khona, waza wanikela iminikelo phezu kwazo, waza wavakalisa igama lakho rhoqo kubo bonke abantwana bomhlaba.
51 Kwaye ngoku ekubeni unyana wakhe uIsake ezelwe kuye, ukushiyile, wenze isidlo esikhulu kubo bonke abemi belizwe, kwaye iNkosi uyilibele.
52 Kuba phakathi kwako konke akwenzileyo akakuzisanga mnikelo; amadini atshiswayo, umbingelelo woxolo,

inkomo, imvana, okanye ibhokhwe, kuyo yonke into ayixhelileyo ngomhla wokulunyulwa konyana wakhe.
53 Ukususela kwixesha lokuzalwa konyana wakhe kude kube ngoku, eneminyaka engamashumi amathathu anesixhenxe, akazange akhe isibingelelo phambi kwakho, okanye azise mnikelo kuwe, kuba wayebona ukuba unikele oko akucelileyo phambi kwakho, waza ke ngoko wakushiya.
54 Yathi iNkosi kuSathana, Umqaphele na umkhonzi wam uAbraham? Kuba akukho unjengaye emhlabeni, indoda egqibeleleyo nethe tye phambi kwam, emoyikayo uThixo, ephepha ububi; ndiphila nje, ukuba bendingathi kuye, Zisa uIsake unyana wakho phambi kwam, ebengayi kumnqanda, ngakumbi ukuba bendiya kumxelela ukuba azise umnikelo otshiswayo phambi kwam emhlambini wakhe okanye emhlambini wakhe.
55 USathana wamphendula uYehova, wathi, Thetha kuAbraham njengoko uthethileyo, uze ubone ukuba akayi kugqitha na namhla, alahle amazwi akho.

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1 Kwathi ngelo xesha ilizwi likaYehova lafika kuAbraham, lathi kuye, Abraham! Wathi yena, Ndilapha.
2 Wathi kuye, Thabatha unyana wakho, unyana wakho okuphela kwakhe, omthandayo, uIsake, uye ezweni laseMoriya, umnikele khona abe lidini elinyukayo kwenye yeentaba oya kuzibona; kuba uya kubona khona ilifu nobuqaqawuli bukaYehova.
3 Wathi uAbraham entliziyweni yakhe, Ndingamhlula njani unyana wam uIsake kuSara unina, ndimnyuse abe lidini elinyukayo phambi koYehova?
4 Wangena uAbraham ententeni, wahlala phambi koSara umkakhe, wathetha la mazwi kuye, esithi,
5 Unyana wam uIsake ukhulile kwaye akakayifundi inkonzo kaThixo wakhe kangangexesha elithile, ngoku ngomso ndiza kuya ndimzise kuShem, nakuEbhere unyana wakhe, aze apho afunde iindlela zeNkosi, kuba ziya kumfundisa ukuyazi iNkosi kunye nokwazi ukuba xa ethandaza rhoqo phambi kweNkosi, iya kumphendula, ngoko ke apho uya kuyazi indlela yokukhonza iNkosi uThixo wakhe.
6 Wathi uSara, Uthethe kakuhle; hamba, nkosi yam, wenze kuye njengoko uthethileyo; kodwa ungamsusi kude nam, ungamvumeli ahlale ixesha elide khona, kuba umphefumlo wam ubotshelelwe emphefumlweni wakhe.
7 Wathi uAbraham kuSara, Ntombi yam, masithandaze kuYehova uThixo wethu, ukuze asenzele okulungileyo.
8 USara wamthabatha unyana wakhe uIsake, wahlala naye ubusuku bonke, wamanga, wamanga, wamnika imiyalelo kwada kwasa.
9 Wathi kuye, “Owu nyana wam, umphefumlo wam ungahlukana njani nawe?” Wamanga waza wamanga, waza wamnika imiyalelo uAbraham ngaye.
10 Wathi uSara kuAbraham, Nkosi yam, khawumjonge unyana wakho, umjonge, kuba andinanyana nantombi ngaphandle kwakhe.
11 Musa ukumshiya. Ukuba ulambile mnike isonka, ukuba unxaniwe mnike amanzi, ungamvumeli ukuba ahambe ngeenyawo, angahlali elangeni.
12 Musa ukumvumela ukuba ahambe yedwa endleleni, ungamnyanzeli nakweyiphi na into ayinqwenelayo; kodwa yenza kuye njengoko akuxelela kona.
13 USara walila kakhulu ubusuku bonke ngenxa kaIsake, waza wamnika umyalelo kwada kwasa.
14 Kwathi kusasa uSara wakhetha ingubo entle kakhulu nentle kwezo ngubo wayenazo endlwini, uAbhimeleki awayemnike zona.
15 Wamnxibisa uIsake unyana wakhe, wamfaka isigqubuthelo entlokweni, wafaka ilitye elixabisekileyo encotsheni yesigqubuthelo, wabanika umphako wendlela; baphuma ke, uIsake wahamba noyise uAbraham, kunye nabanye bezicaka zabo bebaphelekezela ukuya kubakhapha endleleni.
16 Waphuma ke uSara nabo, wabaphelekelela endleleni ebaphelekezela, bathi kuye, Buyela ententeni.
17 Wathi uSara akuweva amazwi kaIsake unyana wakhe, walila kabuhlungu, noAbraham indoda yakhe walila naye, nonyana wabo walila nabo, nabo babehamba nabo balila kakhulu.
18 USara wambamba unyana wakhe uIsake, wambamba ngezandla zakhe, wamanga waza waqhubeka elila naye, waza uSara wathi, Ngubani owaziyo ukuba emva kwale mini ndiya kuze ndikubone kwakhona?
19 Baqhubeka belila kunye, uAbraham, uSara noIsake, nabo bonke ababehamba nabo endleleni, balila nabo. Emva koko uSara wajika, wamshiya unyana wakhe, ekhala kabuhlungu, nazo zonke izicaka zakhe nezicakakazi zakhe zabuyela naye ententeni.
20 Wahamba uAbraham noIsake unyana wakhe, waya kumnyusa abe ngumnikelo phambi koYehova, njengoko wayemwisele umthetho.
21 UAbraham wathabatha amadodana akhe amabini, uIshmayeli unyana kaHagare, noEliyezere umkhonzi wakhe, bahamba nabo; kwathi besahamba endleleni, amadodana athetha la mazwi,
22 Wathi uIshmayeli kuEliyezere, Ngoku uAbraham ubawo uhamba noIsake, ukuze amnyuse abe lidini elinyukayo kuYehova, njengoko wayemyalele.
23 Ngoku xa ebuya uza kundinika konke anako, ukuze ndizuze ilifa emva kwakhe, kuba ndilizibulo lakhe.
24 UEliyezere wamphendula uIshmayeli wathi, Inene uAbraham wakulahla wena nonyoko, waza wafunga ukuba akuyi kudla ilifa kuyo yonke into anayo, kwaye ngubani na oya kumnika konke anako, kunye nabo bonke ubuncwane bakhe, ngaphandle kwam umkhonzi wakhe, obethembekile endlwini yakhe, endimkhonze ubusuku nemini, kwaye ndenze konke akunqwenelayo? Ngaba uya kundinika ilifa konke anako ekufeni kwakhe?
25 Kwathi uAbraham ehamba nonyana wakhe uIsake endleleni, uSathana weza wabonakala kuAbraham engumntu omdala kakhulu, othobekileyo nonomoya otyumkileyo, waza wasondela kuAbraham wathi kuye, Ngaba usisidenge okanye usisidenge, ukuba uyenze le nto namhlanje kunyana wakho okuphela kwakhe?
26 Kuba uThixo ukunike unyana ngemihla yakho yokugqibela, ebudaleni bakho, kwaye uya kuhamba uye kumbulala namhlanje kuba engenzanga bundlobongela, kwaye uya kubangela ukuba umphefumlo wonyana wakho okuphela kwakhe utshabalale emhlabeni?

27 Awazi na kwaye awuqondi ukuba le nto ayinakuvela eNkosini? Kuba iNkosi ayinakwenza ububi obunje ebantwini emhlabeni, ithi kuye, Hamba umbulale umntwana wakho.
28 UAbraham weva oku waza wazi ukuba yayililizwi likaSathana elalizama ukumsusa endleleni yeNkosi, kodwa uAbraham akazange aliphulaphule ilizwi likaSathana, waza uAbraham wamkhalimela kangangokuba wahamba.
29 Wabuya uSathana weza kuIsake; wabonakala kuIsake enomfanekiso womfana omhle nomhle.
30 Wasondela kuIsake wathi kuye, Awazi na kwaye uyaqonda na ukuba uyihlo omdala osisidenge ukusa ekuxhelweni ngeze namhlanje?
31 Ngoko ke, nyana wam, musa ukumphulaphula okanye ukumphulaphula, kuba lixhego elisisidenge, kwaye ungavumeli umphefumlo wakho oxabisekileyo kunye nembonakalo yakho entle itshabalale emhlabeni.
32 UIsake wakuva oku, wathi kuAbraham, Uyivile na, bawo, into ethethwe yile ndoda?
33 UAbraham wamphendula unyana wakhe uIsake wathi kuye, Mlumkele, ungawaphulaphuli amazwi akhe, ungamhoyi, kuba unguSathana, ozama ukusikhupha namhlanje kwimiyalelo kaThixo.
34 UAbraham waqhubeka emkhalimela uSathana, waza uSathana wemka kubo, waza akubona ukuba akanakubanqoba wazimela kubo, waza wahamba wadlula phambi kwabo endleleni; waza waziguqula waba ngumlambo omkhulu wamanzi endleleni, baza uAbraham noIsake kunye namadodana akhe amabini bafika kuloo ndawo, baza babona umlambo omkhulu nonamandla njengamanzi amakhulu.
35 Bangena emlanjeni, badlula kuwo, amanzi aqala afikelela ezinyaweni zabo.
36 Baza bangena nzulu emlanjeni, amanzi afikelela ezintanyeni zabo, baza bonke boyika ngenxa yamanzi; kwaye ngelixa babewela umlanjeni, uAbraham wayibona loo ndawo, waza waqonda ukuba akukho manzi apho ngaphambili.
37 Wathi uAbraham kunyana wakhe uIsake, Ndiyazi le ndawo apho bekungekho mlambo namanzi khona, ngoku ke ngulo Sathana osenza konke oku kuthi, ukuze asitsalele ecaleni namhlanje kwimiyalelo kaThixo.
38 UAbraham wamkhalimela wathi kuye, INkosi mayikukhalimele, Sathana, suka kuthi kuba sihamba ngemiyalelo kaThixo.
39 USathana woyika ngelizwi lika-Abraham, waza wemka kubo, yaza loo ndawo yaba ngumhlaba owomileyo kwakhona njengoko yayinjalo ekuqaleni.
40 UAbraham waya noIsake kuloo ndawo uThixo abemxelele yona.
41 Ngomhla wesithathu uAbraham wawaphakamisa amehlo akhe, wayibona loo ndawo uThixo abemxelele yona ikude.
42 Kwabonakala kuye intsika yomlilo eyayifikelela ezulwini isuka emhlabeni, nelifu lobuqaqawuli phezu kwentaba, kwaye ubuqaqawuli beNkosi babonakala efini.
43 Wathi uAbraham kuIsake, Nyana wam, uyayibona na le ntaba, esiyibonayo sikude, endiyibonayo phezu kwayo?
44 Waphendula uIsake wathi kuyise, Ndibona intsika yomlilo nelifu, nobuqaqawuli bukaYehova bubonakala efini.
45 Waza uAbraham wazi ukuba unyana wakhe uIsake wamkelekile phambi kweNkosi ukuba abe ngumnikelo otshiswayo.
46 Wathi uAbraham kuEliyezere nakuIshmayeli unyana wakhe, Niyakubona na oko sikubonayo entabeni ekude?
47 Baphendula bathi, Asiboni nto ngaphandle kwezinye iintaba zomhlaba. UAbraham wayesazi ukuba babengamkelekanga phambi koYehova ukuba bahambe nabo, waza uAbraham wathi kubo, Hlalani apha ne-esile, mna noIsake unyana wam siya kuya entabeni leyo, sinqule apho phambi koYehova, size sibuye size kuni.
48 UEliyezere noIshmayeli bahlala kuloo ndawo, njengoko uAbraham wayeyalele.
49 UAbraham wathabatha iinkuni zedini elinyukayo, wazibeka phezu konyana wakhe uIsake; wathabatha umlilo nemela, baya kuloo ndawo bobabini.
50 Kwathi, xa babehamba, wathi uIsake kuyise, Yabona, ndibona umlilo neenkuni, iphi na ke imvu yedini elinyukayo phambi koYehova?
51 UAbraham wamphendula uIsake unyana wakhe, wathi, UYehova ukunyule wena nyana wam, ukuba ube lidini elinyukayo eligqibeleleyo endaweni yemvana.
52 Wathi uIsake kuyise, Ndokwenza konke akuthethileyo kuwe uYehova, ngovuyo nangovuyo lwentliziyo.
53 Wabuya wathi uAbraham kuIsake unyana wakhe, Ngaba kukho nto uyicingileyo okanye icebo entliziyweni yakho ngale nto, engafanelekanga? Ndixelele nyana wam, khawundixelele, nyana wam, musa ukundifihlela.
54 UIsake wamphendula uAbraham uyise, wathi kuye, Bawo, ehleli nje uYehova, uhleli nje umphefumlo wakho, akukho nto entliziyweni yam yokundiphambukisa ndiye ngasekunene nangasekhohlo elizwini alithethileyo kuwe.
55 Akukho malungu okanye izihlunu ezishukumileyo okanye ezishukumileyo koku, kwaye akukho ngcinga okanye icebo elibi entliziyweni yam malunga noku.
56 Kodwa ndivuya kakhulu kwaye ndinentliziyo echwayitileyo kule nto, kwaye ndithi, Makabongwe uYehova ondinyule namhlanje ukuba ndibe ngumnikelo otshiswayo phambi kwakhe.
57 UAbraham wavuya kakhulu ngamazwi kaIsake, bahamba baya kutsho kuloo ndawo wayethethe ngayo uYehova.
58 Wasondela uAbraham ukuya kwakha isibingelelo kuloo ndawo, uAbraham walila, uIsake wathabatha amatye nodaka bada bagqiba ukwakha isibingelelo.
59 UAbraham wathabatha iinkuni, wazibeka phezu kwesibingelelo abesakhile.
60 Wamthabatha uIsake unyana wakhe, wambopha, wambeka phezu kweenkuni eziphezu kwesibingelelo, wamxhela abe lidini elinyukayo phambi koYehova.
61 Wathi uIsake kuyise, Ndibophe ngokuqinileyo, undibeke esibingelelweni, hleze ndijike ndihambe, ndikhulule isandla sam enyameni yam, ndingcolise idini elinyukayo; Wenjenjalo uAbraham.
62 Waqhubeka wathi uIsake kuyise, “Owu bawo, xa undibulele unditshise njengomnikelo, thabatha okuseleyo kothuthu lwam, uzise kuSara umama, uze uthi kuye, ‘Eli livumba elimnandi likaIsake;’ kodwa ungamxeleli ukuba uza kuhlala kufutshane nomthombo okanye nakweyiphi na indawo ephakamileyo, hleze andilahle umphefumlo aze afe.”

63 UAbraham weva amazwi kaIsake, waza waphakamisa ilizwi lakhe, walila xa uIsake wayethetha la mazwi; iinyembezi zika-Abraham zathi waxa kuIsake unyana wakhe, uIsake walila kabuhlungu, wathi kuyise, Khawuleza, bawo, wenze kum ukuthanda kweNkosi uThixo wethu njengoko ikuwisele umthetho.
64 Kwaye iintliziyo zika-Abraham noIsake zavuya ngenxa yesi sizathu iNkosi eyayibayalele sona; kodwa iliso lalila kabuhlungu ngelixa intliziyo yayivuya.
65 UAbraham wambopha unyana wakhe uIsake, wambeka esibingelelweni phezu kweenkuni, uIsake wolula intamo yakhe esibingelelweni phambi koyise, uAbraham wolula isandla sakhe ukuze athabathe imela ukuze ambulale unyana wakhe abe lidini elinyukayo phambi koYehova.
66 Ngelo xesha iingelosi zenceba zeza phambi kweNkosi zathetha naye malunga noIsake, zisithi,
67 0 Nkosi, unguKumkani onenceba novelwano phezu kwayo yonke into oyidalileyo ezulwini nasemhlabeni, kwaye uyabaxhasa bonke; ngoko ke nika intlawulelo nentlawulelo esikhundleni somkhonzi wakho uIsake, kwaye ube nenceba kwaye ube nenceba kuAbraham nakuIsake unyana wakhe, abo bayenza imiyalelo yakho namhlanje.
68 Uyibonile na, Nkosi, indlela uIsake unyana ka-Abraham umkhonzi wakho abanjwe ngayo ekuxhelweni njengesilwanyana? Ke ngoko makube novelwano lwakho kubo, Nkosi.
69 Ngelo xesha iNkosi yabonakala kuAbraham, yambiza isemazulwini, yathi kuye, Musa ukulibeka isandla sakho enkwenkweni, ungamenzi nto, kuba ngoku ndiyazi ukuba uyamoyika uThixo ngokwenza esi senzo, ungamgodleli unyana wakho, unyana wakho okuphela kwakhe, kum.
70 UAbraham waphakamisa amehlo akhe, wabona, nantso inkunzi yegusha ibanjwe ngeempondo etyholweni; leyo yinkunzi yegusha eyadalwa yiNkosi uThixo emhlabeni ngomhla wokwenza kwayo umhlaba nezulu.
71 Kuba uYehova wayeyilungisile le nkunzi yegusha ukususela ngaloo mini, ukuba ibe lidini elinyukayo endaweni kaIsake.
72 Kwaye le nkunzi yegusha yayisondela kuAbraham xa uSathana wambamba waza wambamba iimpondo zakhe etyholweni, ukuze angafiki kuAbraham, ukuze uAbraham ambulale unyana wakhe.
73 UAbraham, ebona inkunzi yegusha isondela kuye kwaye uSathana eyibambe, wayithabatha wayizisa phambi kwesibingelelo, wayikhulula unyana wakhe uIsake kwisibophelelo sakhe, wayibeka inkunzi yegusha esikhundleni sakhe, waza uAbraham wayixhela inkunzi yegusha phezu kwesibingelelo, wayinyusa njengomnikelo endaweni yonyana wakhe uIsake.
74 UAbraham wafefa inxalenye yegazi lenkunzi yegusha esibingelelweni, wadanduluka wathi, Eli ligama lonyana wam, kwaye eli malibalelwe namhlanje njengegazi lonyana wam phambi koYehova.
75 Kwaye konke oko uAbraham wayekwenza ngesi sihlandlo ngasesibingelelweni, wayedla ngokuthi, Oku kusegumbini lonyana wam, kwaye ngamana kungaqwalaselwa namhlanje phambi kweNkosi endaweni yonyana wam; waza uAbraham wayigqiba yonke inkonzo ngasesibingelelweni, kwaye inkonzo yamkelwa phambi kweNkosi, yaza yabalwa ngathi yayinguIsake; kwaye iNkosi yamsikelela uAbraham nembewu yakhe ngaloo mini.
76 USathana waya kuSara, waza wabonakala kuye engumntu omdala othobekileyo nolulamileyo, kwaye uAbraham wayesesekuzinikeleni kumnikelo otshiswayo phambi kweNkosi.
77 Wathi kuye, Awuyazi na yonke imisebenzi uAbraham ayenzileyo ngonyana wakho okuphela kwakhe namhlanje? kuba wathabatha uIsake waza wakha isibingelelo, wambulala, waza wamnyusa njengombingelelo phezu kwesibingelelo, waza uIsake wakhala walila phambi koyise, kodwa akajonganga kuye, kwaye akazange abe nemfesane ngaye.
78 USathana waphinda la mazwi, waza wemka kuye, waza uSara weva onke amazwi kaSathana, waza wacinga ukuba yindoda endala phakathi koonyana babantu ababenonyana wakhe, waza weza wamxelela ezi zinto.
79 USara waphakamisa ilizwi lakhe, walila, wakhala kabuhlungu ngenxa yonyana wakhe; waza wawa emhlabeni, wagalela uthuli entlokweni yakhe, wathi, Owu nyana wam, Isake nyana wam, Owu akwaba bendingafanga namhlanje endaweni yakho. Waqhubeka ekhala, wathi, Kubuhlungu kum ngenxa yakho, Owu nyana wam, nyana wam Isake, Owu akwaba bendingafanga namhlanje endaweni yakho.
80 Waqhubeka ekhala, wathi, Kundihlunguzela emva kokuba ndikukhulisile ndaza ndakukhulisa; ngoku uvuyo lwam lujike lwaba kukulila ngenxa yakho, mna ebendikulangazelela, ndakhala ndaza ndathandaza kuThixo ndada ndakuzala uneminyaka engamashumi alithoba ubudala; kwaye ngoku ukhonze namhlanje ngenxa yemela nomlilo, ukuze wenziwe umnikelo.
81 Kodwa ndiyazithuthuzela ngawe, nyana wam, ngokuba lilizwi leNkosi, kuba uwenze umyalelo kaThixo wakho; kuba ngubani na onokwaphula ilizwi likaThixo wethu, omphefumlo wazo zonke izidalwa eziphilayo usezandleni zakhe?
82 Ulungile, Nkosi Thixo wethu, kuba yonke imisebenzi yakho ilungile kwaye ilungile; kuba nam ndiyavuya ngelizwi lakho oliyaleleyo, kwaye ngelixa iliso lam lilila kabuhlungu intliziyo yam iyavuya.
83 USara wabeka intloko yakhe esifubeni somnye wabakhonzazana bakhe, waza wazola njengelitye.
84 Emva koko wavuka waza wahambahamba ebuza de wafika eHebron, waza wabuza kubo bonke abo wadibana nabo behamba endleleni, kwaye akukho mntu wayenokumxelela ukuba kwenzeke ntoni kunyana wakhe.
85 Waza weza nezicaka zakhe zamadoda nezicaka zakhe eKireyati-arba, eyiHebron, waza wabuza ngoNyana wakhe, wahlala apho ngelixa wayethumela ezinye zezicaka zakhe ukuba ziye kufuna apho uAbraham wayeye khona noIsake; baya kumfuna endlwini kaShem noEbhere, kwaye abazange bamfumane, baza bamkhangela kulo lonke ilizwe kodwa wayengekho apho.
86 Kwaye khangela, uSathana weza kuSara ekwimo yendoda endala, waza weza wema phambi kwakhe, waza wathi kuye, Ndithethe ubuxoki kuwe, kuba uAbraham akazange ambulale unyana wakhe kwaye akafanga; waza akuva eli lizwi uvuyo lwakhe lwaba lukhulu kakhulu ngenxa yonyana wakhe, kangangokuba umphefumlo

wakhe waphuma ngovuyo; wafa waza wahlanganiselwa kubantu bakowabo.
87 Akuba uAbraham egqibile inkonzo yakhe wabuyela nonyana wakhe uIsake kumadodana akhe aselula, basuka baya kunye eBher-shebha, baza babuyela ekhaya.
88 UAbraham wamfuna uSara, akamfumana, wabuza ngaye, bathi kuye, Uye waya eHebron ukuya kufuna nina nobabini apho beniye khona, kuba waxelelwa njalo.
89 UAbraham noIsake baya kuye eHebron, baza bakufumanisa ukuba ufile baphakamisa amazwi abo baza balila kabuhlungu ngenxa yakhe; waza uIsake wawa ebusweni bukanina, walila phezu kwakhe, wathi, Mama, Mama, undishiye njani, kwaye uye phi? Hayi, undishiye njani!
90 UAbraham noIsake balila kakhulu, nazo zonke izicaka zabo zalila nabo ngenxa kaSara, baza bamlilela isililo esikhulu nesinzima.

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1 Ubomi bukaSara babuyiminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini anesixhenxe, waza uSara wafa; waza uAbraham wesuka phambi komfi wakhe, waya kufuna indawo yokungcwaba ukuze angcwabe umkakhe uSara; waza waya kuthetha noonyana bakaHeti, abemi belo zwe, esithi,
2 Ndingumphambukeli, ndindwendwele ezweni lakho; ndinike indawo yokungcwaba ezweni lakho, ukuze ndimngcwabe umfikazi ebusweni bam.
3 Bathi oonyana bakaHeti kuAbraham, Yabona, ilizwe liphambi kwakho; kwelona ngcwaba likhethwayo kwelethu, mngcwabe umfikazi wakho; kuba akukho mntu uya kukuthintela ukuba ungamngcwabi umfikazi wakho.
4 Wathi uAbraham kubo, Ukuba niyavuma, yiyani nindibongozele kuEfron, unyana kaZokare, ukuba andinike umqolomba waseMakapela, osekupheleni kwentsimi yakhe, ndiwuthenge kuye ngento ayifunayo.
5 UEfron wayehleli phakathi kwamaHeti, baza baya kumbiza, waza weza kuAbraham, wathi uEfron kuAbraham, Yabona, konke okufunayo kumkhonzi wakho; wathi uAbraham, Hayi, ndiya kuwuthenga umqolomba nentsimi onayo ngexabiso, ukuze ube yindawo yokungcwaba ngonaphakade.
6 Waphendula uEfron wathi, Yabona, intsimi nomqolomba ziphambi kwakho; nika into oyifunayo; wathi uAbraham, Ndiya kuyithenga ngexabiso elipheleleyo kuphela esandleni sakho, nasesandleni sabo bangena ngesango lomzi wakho, nasesandleni sembewu yakho, ngonaphakade.
7 UEfron nabo bonke abazalwana bakhe beva oku, waza uAbraham wamlinganisela uEfron amakhulu amane eeshekele zesilivere ezandleni zikaEfron nasesandleni sabo bonke abazalwana bakhe; waza uAbraham wabhala le ntengiselwano, wayibhala waza wayingqina enamangqina amane.
8 Ngawo la amagama amangqina: uAmigali unyana ka-Abhishna umHeti, uAdikorom unyana ka-Ashunaki umHivi, uAbhedon unyana ka-Ahiram umGomeri, uBhakedi unyana ka-Abudishe umSidoni.
9 UAbraham wayithabatha incwadi yentengo, wayibeka koovimba bakhe, kwaye la ngamazwi awabhalwa nguAbraham encwadini, ngala:
10 Ukuba umqolomba nentsimi uAbraham awayithengayo kuEfron umHeti, nakwimbewu yakhe, nakwabo baphuma emzini wakhe, nakwimbewu yabo ngonaphakade, mazithengwe kuAbraham nakwimbewu yakhe, nakwabo baphuma esinqeni sakhe, zibe yindawo yokungcwaba ngonaphakade; wabeka uphawu kuwo, wangqina ngamangqina.
11 Intsimi, nomqolomba okuyo, nayo yonke loo ndawo, zaqinisekiswa kuAbraham nakwimbewu yakhe emva kwakhe, kubantwana bakwaHeti; khangela, iphambi kweMamre eHebron, ekwilizwe lakwaKanan.
12 Emva koko uAbraham wamngcwaba apho uSara umkakhe, waza loo ndawo nayo yonke imida yayo yaba yindawo yokungcwaba ka-Abraham nembewu yakhe.
13 UAbraham wamngcwaba uSara ngozuko njengoko kwakubonakala ekungcwatyweni kookumkani, waza wangcwatywa enxibe iimpahla ezintle kakhulu nezintle.
14 Ebhedini yakhe kwakukho uShem, noonyana bakhe uEbhere, noAbhimeleki, kunye noAnare, noAshkoli, noMamre, nazo zonke izikhulu zelizwe, belandela ibhedini yakhe.
15 Imihla kaSara yaba yiminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini anesixhenxe, wafa ke uAbraham, wenza isililo esikhulu nesinzima, wazenzela isililo imihla esixhenxe.
16 Bonke abemi belizwe bamthuthuzela uAbraham noIsake unyana wakhe ngenxa kaSara.
17 Kwathi xa imihla yokuzila kwabo idlulile, uAbraham wamndulula unyana wakhe uIsake, waya endlwini kaShem noEbhere, ukuze afunde iindlela zeNkosi nemiyalelo yayo, waza uAbraham wahlala apho iminyaka emithathu.
18 Wasuka ke ngelo xesha uAbraham, enabakhonzi bakhe bonke, babuyela eBher-shebha; uAbraham nabakhonzi bakhe bonke bahlala eBher-shebha.
19 Kwathi ngexesha lotshintsho lonyaka uAbhimeleki ukumkani wamaFilisti wafa ngaloo nyaka; wayeneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi asithoba anesithathu ubudala ekufeni kwakhe; waza uAbraham waya nabantu bakhe kwilizwe lamaFilisti, baza bayithuthuzela yonke indlu yakhe nabo bonke abakhonzi bakhe, waza wajika wabuyela ekhaya.
20 Emva kokufa kuka-Abhimeleki, abantu baseGerare bamthabatha uBhenmaliki unyana wakhe, eneminyaka elishumi elinesibini kuphela ubudala, baza bamngcwaba endaweni kayise.
21 Bamthiya igama lokuba nguAbhimeleki ngegama likayise, kuba babesenza njalo eGerare, waza uAbhimeleki walawula esikhundleni sika-Abhimeleki uyise, waza wahlala etroneni yakhe.
22 ULote unyana kaHaran naye wafa ngaloo mihla, ngonyaka wamashumi amathathu anesithoba wobomi bukaIsake, kwaye yonke imihla kaLote yokuphila yayiyiminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amane waza wafa.
23 Ngabo aba oonyana bakaLote, awabazalelwa ziintombi zakhe; igama lenkulu lalinguMowabhi, igama leyesibini lalinguBhenami.
24 Bahamba oonyana ababini bakaLote, bazithabathela abafazi ezweni lakwaKanan, bazalela bona abantwana, oonyana bakaMowabhi yayinguEd, uMayon, Tarso, noKanvil, oonyana abane, abo ngooyise kubantwana bakwaMowabhi unanamhla.

25 Zonke iintsapho zoonyana bakaLote zaya kuhlala apho zaziza kuhla khona, kuba zaziqhamile zaza zanda kakhulu.
26 Kwaye baya bazakhela izixeko kwilizwe ababehlala kulo, baza bazibiza ngamagama ezixeko ababezakha ngamagama abo.
27 Wafa ke uNahore, unyana kaTera, umzalwana ka-Abraham, ngaloo mihla, ngomnyaka wamashumi amane wobomi bukaIsake, kwaye yonke imihla kaNahore yaba yiminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi asixhenxe anesibini, waza wafa waza wangcwatyelwa eHaran.
28 Wathi uAbraham akuva ukuba umninawa wakhe ufile, waba buhlungu kakhulu, waza wamlilela umntakwabo imihla emininzi.
29 UAbraham wabiza uEliyezere, isicaka sakhe esiyintloko, ukuba amyalele indlu yakhe; weza wema phambi kwakhe.
30 Wathi uAbraham kuye, Yabona, ndimdala, andiyazi imini yokufa kwam; kuba ndikhulile; suka ngoku, uphume; ungamthabatheli unyana wam umfazi kule ndawo nakule lizwe, kwiintombi zamaKanan esihlala phakathi kwawo.
31 Kodwa yiya kwilizwe lakowethu nakwindawo endazalelwa kuyo, uze umthabathele umfazi unyana wam apho, neNkosi uThixo wezulu nomhlaba owandithabathayo endlwini kabawo waza wandizisa kule ndawo, wathi kum, Imbewu yakho ndiya kuyinika eli lizwe libe lilifa ngonaphakade, uya kuthumela isithunywa sakhe phambi kwakho aze aphumelele indlela yakho, ukuze umfumanele umfazi unyana wam kwintsapho yakowethu nakwindlu kabawo.
32 Umkhonzi wamphendula uAbraham inkosi yakhe, wathi, Yabona, ndiya endaweni yakho yokuzalelwa, nasendlwini kayihlo, ndize ndimthabathele khona unyana wakho umfazi; ukuba loo mfazi akavumi ukundilandela ukuza kweli lizwe, ndombuyisela na unyana wakho ezweni lokuzalelwa kwakho?
33 Wathi uAbraham kuye, Zilumkele ungambuyiseli unyana wam apha; kuba uYehova endihambe phambi kwakhe, wosithuma isithunywa sakhe phambi kwakho, ayenze ibe nempumelelo indlela yakho.
34 UEliyezere wenza njengoko uAbraham wayemyalele, waza uEliyezere wafunga kuAbraham inkosi yakhe ngale nto; waza uEliyezere wasukuma waza wathabatha iinkamela ezilishumi kwiinkamela zenkosi yakhe, namadoda alishumi kubakhonzi benkosi yakhe, basuka baya eHaran, isixeko sika-Abraham noNahore, ukuze bathabathele uIsake unyana ka-Abraham umfazi; kwaye ngelixa babemkile uAbraham wathumela endlwini kaShem no-Ebhere, baza bamthabatha apho unyana wakhe uIsake.
35 Wafika uIsake endlwini kayise eBher-shebha, uEliyezere namadoda akhe bafika eHaran; bema emzini ngasemanzini, waguqa iinkamela zakhe ngasemanzini, zahlala apho.
36 UEliyezere, umkhonzi ka-Abraham, wathandaza wathi, Thixo ka-Abraham, nkosi yam, ndincede undiphe amandla namhla, uyenzele inceba inkosi yam, ukuba umnike umfazi unyana wenkosi yam namhla kusapho lwayo.
37 UYehova waliphulaphula ilizwi likaEliyezere, ngenxa ka-Abraham umkhonzi wakhe, waza wadibana nentombi kaBhetuweli, unyana kaMilka, umkaNahore, umntakwabo Abraham, waya endlwini yakhe.
38 UEliyezere wabaxelela zonke izinto ezazimkhathaza, nokuba wayengumkhonzi ka-Abraham, baza bavuya kakhulu ngaye.
39 Bonke bambonga uYehova owabangela oku, bamnika uRebheka, intombi kaBhetuweli, ukuba abe ngumfazi kaIsake.
40 Le ntombazana yayintle kakhulu, ingumhlolokazi, kwaye uRebheka wayeneminyaka elishumi ubudala ngaloo mihla.
41 UBhetuweli noLabhan nabantwana bakhe benza isidlo ngobo busuku, uEliyezere namadoda akhe beza badla, basela, bavuya apho ngobo busuku.
42 UEliyezere wavuka kusasa, yena namadoda awayenaye, wabiza yonke indlu kaBhetuweli, esithi, Ndindululeni ndiye enkosini yam; basuka bamndulula uRebheka noDebhora, umzalikazi wakhe, intombi kaUze, bamnika isilivere negolide, izicaka nezicakakazi, baza bamsikelela.
43 Bamndulula uEliyezere namadoda akhe; baza abakhonzi bamthabatha uRebheka, wabuyela enkosini yakhe ezweni lakwaKanan.
44 UIsake wamthabatha uRebheka, waba ngumkakhe; wamsa ententeni.
45 UIsake wayeneminyaka engamashumi amane ubudala xa wathabatha uRebheka, intombi kaBhetuweli, umalume wakhe, ukuba abe ngumfazi wakhe.

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1 Kwathi ngaloo mihla, uAbraham wabuya wathabatha umfazi ekwaluphaleni kwakhe, ogama linguKetura, wasezweni lakwaKanan.
2 Wamzalela uZimran, noYokeshan, noMedan, noMidiyan, noIshbhaki, noShuwaki, oonyana abathandathu. Oonyana bakaZimran yayinguAbhihen, noMoliki, noNarim.
3 Oonyana bakaYokeshan yayinguShebha noDedan, oonyana bakaMedan yayinguAmida, noYowabhi, noGoki, noElisha, noNotaki; oonyana bakaMidiyan yayinguEfa, noEfere, noHanoki, noAbhida, noEldaha.
4 Oonyana bakaIshbhaki yayinguMakiro, uBheyodua noTator.
5 Oonyana bakaShuwa nguBhiledadi, noMamdadi, noMunan, noMebhan; bonke abo yimizalwane yoonyana bakaKetura, umKanankazi, awamzalela uAbraham umHebhere.
6 UAbraham wabandulula bonke aba, wabanika izipho, bemka kuIsake unyana wakhe, baya kuhlala naphi na apho babenokufumana khona indawo.
7 Bonke aba baya ezintabeni ngasempumalanga, bazakhela imizi emithandathu, apho bahlala khona unanamhla.
8 Ke bona oonyana bakaShebha noDedan, oonyana bakaYokeshan, noonyana babo, abazange bahlale nabazalwana babo emizini yabo; banduluka, bamisa iintente emaphandleni nasentlango unanamhla.
9 Oonyana bakaMidiyan, unyana ka-Abraham, baya empuma yelizwe lakwaKushi, bafumana apho intlambo enkulu kwilizwe lasempumalanga, bahlala apho baza bakha umzi, bahlala kuwo, eli lilizwe lakwaMidiyan unanamhla.
10 UMidiyan wahlala kwisixeko awasakhayo, yena noonyana bakhe abahlanu nabo bonke ababengabakhe.

11 Ngawo la amagama oonyana bakaMidiyan ngokwamagama abo emizini yabo: iEfa, neEfere, neHanoki, neAbhida, neEldaha.
12 Oonyana bakaEfa nguMethaki, noMeshare, noAvi, noTzanuwa; oonyana bakaEfere nguEfron, noTsure, noAlirun, noMedin; oonyana bakaHanoki nguRehuweli, noRekem, noAzi, noAlyoshubhi, noAlad.
13 Oonyana baka-Abhida yayinguKure, noMeludi, noKeruri, noMolki; oonyana baka-Eldaha yayinguMikere, noRebha, noMalkiya, noGabholi; la ngamagama amaMidiyan ngokweentsapho zawo; emva koko iintsapho zamaMidiyan zasasazeka kulo lonke ilizwe lamaMidiyan.
14 Le yinzala kaIshmayeli, unyana ka-Abraham, awathi uHagare, umkhonzazana kaSara, wamzalela uAbraham.
15 UIshmayeli wathabatha umfazi ezweni laseYiputa, ogama lakhe linguRibha, oko kukuthi iMeribha.
16 URibha wamzalela uIshmayeli uNebhayoti, noKedare, noAdebhele, noMibhesam, noBhosemati udade wabo.
17 UIshmayeli wamlahla uRibha umkakhe, wemka kuye, wabuyela eYiputa endlwini kayise, wahlala apho, kuba wayembi kakhulu emehlweni kaIshmayeli, naphambi koyise uAbraham.
18 Emva koko uIshmayeli wathabatha umfazi ezweni lakwaKanan, ogama lakhe lalinguMalkuti; wamzalela uNishma, noDuma, noMasa, noChadadi, noTema, noYetur, noNafishi, noKedma.
19 Ngabo abo oonyana bakaIshmayeli, kwaye la ngamagama abo, beyizikhulu ezilishumi elinesibini ngokweentlanga zabo; kwaye emva koko iintsapho zikaIshmayeli zasasazeka, waza uIshmayeli wathabatha abantwana bakhe nayo yonke impahla awayeyizuzile, kunye nemiphefumlo yendlu yakhe nayo yonke into eyayiyeyakhe, baza baya kuhlala apho babefanele bafumane khona indawo.
20 Baya bahlala ngasentlango yaseParan, besuka eHavila besa eShure, ephambi kweYiputa, xa usiya eAsiriya.
21 UIshmayeli noonyana bakhe bahlala kwelo lizwe, baza bazalelwa abantwana, baza banda kakhulu.
22 Ngawo la amagama oonyana bakaNebhayoti, izibulo likaIshmayeli: uMend, uSend, uMeyon; oonyana bakaKedare nguAlyon, noKezem, noHamadi, noEli.
23 Oonyana baka-Adebhele nguHamadi noYabhin; oonyana bakaMibhesam nguObhadiya, noEbhedi-meleki, noYehushe; yiyo leyo imizalwane yabantwana bakaRibha, umkaIshmayeli.
24 Oonyana bakaMishma unyana kaIshmayeli yayinguShamuwa, uZekariyon no-Obhedi, oonyana bakaDuma yayinguKetsede, uEli, uMakhemadi noAmedi.
25 Oonyana bakaMasa yayinguMelon, uMula, noEbhidadon; oonyana bakaHadadi yayinguAzure, uMinare, noEbhedimeleki; oonyana bakaTema yayinguSehire, uSadon, noYakoli.
26 Oonyana bakaYeture nguMeriti, noYayishe, noAleyo, noPakoti; oonyana bakaNafishi nguEbhedi-tamedi, noAbhiyasafu, noMiri; oonyana bakaKedma nguKalip, noTakti, no-Omire; abo babengabantwana bakaMalkuti, umfazi kaIshmayeli, ngokwemizalwane yabo.
27 Bonke abo yimizalwane kaIshmayeli ngokwezizukulwana zabo, ababehlala emazweni abazakhele kuwo imizi unanamhla.
28 URebheka, intombi kaBhetuweli, umfazi kaIsake unyana ka-Abraham, wayengenabantwana ngaloo mihla, engenabantwana; uIsake wahlala noyise ezweni lakwaKanan; uYehova wayenoIsake; uArpakishadi, unyana kaShem, unyana kaNowa, wafa ngaloo mihla, ngomnyaka wamashumi amane anesibhozo wobomi bukaIsake, yonke imihla awayiphilayo uArpakishadi yaba yiminyaka emakhulu mane anamanci mathathu anesibhozo, wafa ke.

ISAHLUKO 26

1 Kwathi ngomnyaka wamashumi amahlanu anesithoba wobomi bukaIsake unyana ka-Abraham, uRebheka umkakhe wayengekazali ngaloo mihla.
2 Wathi uRebheka kuIsake, Inene, ndivile, nkosi yam, ukuba uSara unyoko ebengazali ngemihla yakhe, ide iNkosi yam uAbraham, uyihlo, yamthandazela, wamitha ngaye.
3 Ngoko ke sukuma, uthandaze kuThixo, ukuze awuve umthandazo wakho, asikhumbule ngenxa yenceba yakhe.
4 UIsake wamphendula uRebheka umkakhe, wathi, UAbraham undithandazele kuThixo ukuba andise imbewu yakhe, ngoko ke oku kungazali kuza kuphuma kuthi.
5 Wathi uRebheka kuye, Vuka nawe ngoku, uthandaze, ukuze uYehova akuve umthandazo wakho, andiphe abantwana. UIsake waliphulaphula ilizwi lomkakhe, uIsake nomkakhe besuka baya ezweni laseMoriya, ukuze bathandaze apho, bamfune uYehova, bakufika kuloo ndawo, uIsake wema, wathandaza kuYehova ngenxa yomfazi wakhe, kuba wayengenabantwana.
6 Wathi uIsake, Yehova, Thixo wezulu nomhlaba, wena ububele bakho nenceba yakho izalise ihlabathi, wena owamthabathayo ubawo endlwini kayise nasendaweni yakhe yokuzalwa, wamzisa kweli lizwe, wathi kuye, Ndiya kulinika imbewu yakho eli lizwe, waze wena wamthembisa, wathi kuye, Ndiya kuyandisa imbewu yakho njengeenkwenkwezi zezulu nanjengentlabathi yolwandle, makaqiniseke amazwi akho owawathethayo kubawo.
7 Kuba wena unguYehova uThixo wethu, amehlo ethu akuwe, ukuze usinike imbewu yabantu, njengoko wasithembisayo, kuba unguYehova uThixo wethu, kwaye amehlo ethu akuwe wedwa.
8 UYehova wawuva umthandazo kaIsake, unyana ka-Abraham; uYehova wathandazeka nguye; uRebheka umkakhe wamitha.
9 Emva kweenyanga ezisixhenxe abantwana balwa ngaphakathi kuye, kwaye kwaba buhlungu kakhulu ukuba wayediniwe ngabo, waza wathi kubo bonke abafazi ababekho ngelo xesha, Ngaba into enje yenzeke kuni njengoko yenzekile kum? Bathi kuye, Hayi.
10 Wathi kubo, Kutheni ndingedwa kule nto phakathi kwabo bonke abafazi ababesemhlabeni? Waza waya kwilizwe laseMoriya ukuya kufuna iNkosi ngenxa yoku; waza waya kuShem noEbhere unyana wakhe ukuya kubabuza ngale nto, nokuba bafune iNkosi ngale nto ngaye.
11 Kananjalo wacela uAbraham ukuba afune aze abuze eNkosini ngako konke okumehleleyo.
12 Bonke babuza kuYehova ngale nto, baza bamxelela ilizwi likaYehova, bathi kuye, Kukho abantwana ababini esizalweni sakho, kuphume iintlanga ezimbini; olunye

uhlanga luya komelela kunolunye, olukhulu lukhonze oluncinci.
13 Kwathi, yakuzaliseka imihla yakhe yokuzala, waguqa, nanko amawele esizalweni sakhe, njengoko uYehova wayethethile kuye.
14 Owokuqala waphuma ebomvu yonke njengengubo yoboya, baza bonke abantu belizwe bamthiya igama elinguEsawu, besithi, Lo uzelwe esizalweni.
15 Emva koko kwafika umntakwabo, isandla sakhe sibambe isithende sikaEsawu; ngenxa yoko bamthiya igama elinguYakobi.
16 UIsake, unyana ka-Abraham, wayeneminyaka engamashumi amathandathu ubudala xa wabazalayo.
17 Amakhwenkwe akhula de aba neminyaka elishumi elinesihlanu, aza afika phakathi kwabantu. UEsawu wayeyindoda enobuchule nekhohlisayo, kwaye wayengumntu okwaziyo ukuzingela endle, kwaye uYakobi wayeyindoda egqibeleleyo neqondayo, ehlala ezintenteni, esondla imihlambi kwaye efunda imiyalelo kaYehova nemiyalelo kayise nonina.
18 UIsake nabantwana bendlu yakhe bahlala noyise uAbraham ezweni lakwaKanan, njengoko uThixo wayebayalele.
19 Wahamba uIshmayeli unyana ka-Abraham nabantwana bakhe nabo bonke ababanabo, babuyela apho ezweni laseHavila, bahlala khona.
20 Bonke abantwana bamashweshwe ka-Abraham baya kuhlala kwilizwe lasempumalanga, kuba uAbraham wayebagxothile kunyana wakhe, waza wabanika izipho, baza bemka.
21 UAbraham wamnika unyana wakhe uIsake zonke izinto awayenazo, wamnika nazo zonke izinto zakhe zobuncwane.
22 Waza wamyalela esithi, Awazi na kwaye awuqondi ukuba iNkosi nguThixo emazulwini nasemhlabeni, kwaye akukho wumbi ngaphandle kwayo?
23 Kwaye nguye owandithabathayo endlwini kabawo, nasendaweni endazalelwa kuyo, waza wandinika zonke izinto eziyolisayo emhlabeni; owandihlangulayo kwicebo labangendawo, kuba ndithembele kuye.
24 Wandizisa kule ndawo, waza wandihlangula eUre Casdim; waza wathi kum, Ndiya kuyinika imbewu yakho yonke le mihlaba, kwaye baya kuyidla ilifa xa begcina imiyalelo yam, imimiselo yam, nezigwebo zam endikuyalele zona, nendiza kuziyalela zona.
25 Ngoko ke nyana wam, liphulaphule ilizwi lam, ugcine imithetho kaYehova uThixo wakho, endakuwisela umthetho ngayo; ungaphambuki endleleni ethe tye, uye ekunene, nasekhohlo, ukuze kulunge kuwe, nakubantwana bakho emva kwakho, ngonaphakade.
26 Kwaye khumbula imisebenzi emangalisayo yeNkosi, nobubele bayo esibubonakalisileyo, ngokusihlangula ezandleni zeentshaba zethu, waza uYehova uThixo wethu wabanikela ezandleni zethu; ke ngoko gcina konke endikuyalele kona, ungaphambuki emiyalelweni kaThixo wakho, ungamkhonzi mntu ngaphandle kwakhe, ukuze kulunge kuwe nakwimbewu yakho emva kwakho.
27 Kwaye fundisa abantwana bakho nembewu yakho imiyalelo yeNkosi nemiyalelo yayo, kwaye ubafundise indlela ethe tye abaya kuhamba ngayo, ukuze kube kuhle kubo ngonaphakade.
28 UIsake wamphendula uyise wathi kuye, Oko iNkosi yam iyalele ukuba ndikwenze, kwaye andiyi kuphambuka kwimiyalelo yeNkosi uThixo wam, ndiya kukugcina konke endiyalele kona; kwaye uAbraham wamsikelela unyana wakhe uIsake, kunye nabantwana bakhe; kwaye uAbraham wafundisa uYakobi imiyalelo yeNkosi kunye neendlela zakhe.
29 Kwathi ke ngelo xesha uAbraham wafa, ngomnyaka weshumi elinesihlanu wobomi bukaYakobi noEsawu, oonyana bakaIsake, yonke imihla ka-Abraham yaba yiminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi asixhenxe anesihlanu, wafa, wahlanganiselwa kubantu bakowabo ebudaleni obukhulu, emdala, enelisekile ziintsuku, uIsake noIshmayeli oonyana bakhe bamngcwaba.
30 Xa abemi baseKanan bevayo ukuba uAbraham ufile, bonke ookumkani babo, iinkosana zabo, nawo onke amadoda abo, beza kumngcwaba uAbraham.
31 Bonke abemi belizwe lakwaHaran, nayo yonke imizalwane yendlu ka-Abraham, nazo zonke iinkosana nezikhulu, noonyana baka-Abraham ngamashweshwe, beza xa beva ngokufa kuka-Abraham, baza bambuyekeza uAbraham ngobubele, bamthuthuzela uIsake unyana wakhe, bamngcwaba uAbraham emqolombeni awawuthengayo kuEfron umHeti nakubantwana bakhe, ukuze ube yindawo yokungcwaba.
32 Bonke abemi baseKanan, nabo bonke ababemazi uAbraham, bamzilela uAbraham unyaka wonke, amadoda nabafazi bemlilela.
33 Bonke abantwana abancinci, nabo bonke abemi belizwe, balila ngenxa ka-Abraham, kuba uAbraham wayebenzele ububele bonke, kuba wayethembekile kuThixo nakubantu.
34 Kwaye akukho mntu wayemoyika uThixo njengoAbraham, kuba wayemoyika uThixo wakhe kwasebutsheni bakhe, kwaye wayekhonza iNkosi, kwaye wayehamba kuzo zonke iindlela zakhe ebomini bakhe, ukususela ebuntwaneni bakhe ukuya kutsho kumhla wokufa kwakhe.
35 Kwaye iNkosi yayinaye, yamhlangula kwicebo likaNimrod nabantu bakhe, kwaye xa walwa nookumkani abane bakwaElam, waboyisa.
36 Kwaye wabazisa bonke abantwana bomhlaba enkonzweni kaThixo, waza wabafundisa iindlela zeNkosi, waza wabazisa iNkosi.
37 Waza wenza i-ashera waza watyala isidiliya kuyo, kwaye wayesoloko elungiselela inyama nesiselo ententeni yakhe kwabo babedlula kulo lonke ilizwe, ukuze baneliseke endlwini yakhe.
38 UYehova uThixo wasindisa ihlabathi lonke ngenxa ka-Abraham.
39 Emva kokufa kuka-Abraham, uThixo wamsikelela unyana wakhe uIsake nabantwana bakhe, waza uYehova waba noIsake njengoko wayenjalo noyise uAbraham, kuba uIsake wayeyigcina yonke imiyalelo kaYehova njengoko uAbraham uyise wayemyalele; akazange ajike aye ngasekunene okanye ngasekhohlo kwindlela elungileyo awayemyalele yona uyise.

ISAHLUKO 27

1 Ngelo xesha, emva kokufa kuka-Abraham, uEsawu wayesoloko ehamba endle ukuya kuzingela.

2 UNimrodi ukumkani waseBhabheli, owayenguAmrafele, wayehlala ehamba namadoda akhe anamandla ukuya kuzingela endle, nokuhambahamba namadoda akhe emini epholileyo.
3 UNimrodi wayesoloko ejonge uEsawu yonke imihla, kuba intliziyo kaNimrodi yayinomona ngoEsawu yonke imihla.
4 Kwathi ngamhla uthile uEsawu waya kuzingela endle, wafumana uNimrod ehamba entlango namadoda akhe amabini.
5 Onke amadoda akhe anamandla nabantu bakhe babekunye naye entlango, kodwa basuka bemshiya, baza bamshiya ngeendlela ezahlukeneyo ukuya kuzingela, uEsawu wazimela uNimrod, waza wamzimela entlango.
6 UNimrodi namadoda akhe awayenaye babengamazi, kwaye uNimrodi namadoda akhe babehambahamba rhoqo endle ngexesha lokubanda kwemini, baze bazi apho amadoda akhe ayezingela khona endle.
7 UNimrodi namadoda akhe amabini awayenaye bafika kuloo ndawo babekuyo, xa uEsawu ngequbuliso waphuma kwindawo yakhe yokuzimela, warhola ikrele lakhe, wakhawuleza wabaleka waya kuNimrodi wamnqumla intloko.
8 UEsawu walwa imfazwe enzima namadoda amabini awayekunye noNimrod, baza xa bambizayo, uEsawu wajika waya kubo waza wababulala ngekrele lakhe.
9 Kwaye onke amadoda anamandla kaNimrod, awayemshiye ukuba aye entlango, eva isikhalo kude, kwaye ayesazi amazwi aloo madoda mabini, aza abaleka ukuya kwazi unobangela waso, xa afumana ukumkani wawo namadoda amabini awayenaye elele efile entlango.
10 Wathi uEsawu akubona amadoda anamandla kaNimrod esiza kude, wabaleka, waza ngaloo ndlela wasinda; waza uEsawu wathabatha iingubo ezixabisekileyo zikaNimrod, awayezinike uNimrod uyise, waza uNimrod woyisa ngazo lonke ilizwe, wabaleka wazifihla endlwini yakhe.
11 UEsawu wazithabatha ezo mpahla waza wabaleka waya esixekweni ngenxa yamadoda kaNimrod, wafika endlwini kayise ediniwe kwaye ediniwe yimfazwe, kwaye wayesele ekulungele ukufa ngenxa yosizi xa wayesondela kumntakwabo uYakobi waza wahlala phambi kwakhe.
12 Wathi kuYakobi umntakwabo, Yabona, ndiza kufa namhlanje, kutheni ke ndifuna ubuzibulo? UYakobi wenza ngobulumko kuEsawu kule nto, waza uEsawu wathengisa ubuzibulo bakhe kuYakobi, kuba yayisenziwa nguYehova.
13 Isabelo sikaEsawu esasisemqolombeni wentsimi yaseMakapela, awawuthengayo uAbraham koonyana bakaHeti, ukuba ube yindawo yokungcwaba, uEsawu wathengisa kuYakobi, uYakobi wathenga konke oku kuEsawu umntakwabo ngexabiso elinikiweyo.
14 UYakobi wabhala konke oku encwadini, waza wangqina okufanayo ngamangqina, waza wayitywina, yaza incwadi yahlala ezandleni zikaYakobi.
15 Kwaye xa uNimrod unyana kaKushi wafayo, amadoda akhe amphakamisa amzisa edidekile, amngcwaba kwisixeko sakhe, kwaye yonke imihla awayiphilayo uNimrod yayingamakhulu amabini anesihlanu eminyaka waza wafa.
16 Kwaye imihla awalawula ngayo uNimrod phezu kwabantu belizwe yayiyiminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi asibhozo anesihlanu; waza uNimrod wafa ngekrele likaEsawu ngehlazo nendelelo, kwaye imbewu ka-Abraham yabangela ukufa kwakhe njengoko wayebonile ephupheni lakhe.
17 Kwaye ekufeni kukaNimrodi ubukumkani bakhe bahlulwahlulwa baba ziindidi ezininzi, kwaye zonke ezo ndawo uNimrodi wayelawula kuzo zabuyiselwa kookumkani belizwe, abazifumana emva kokufa kukaNimrodi, kwaye bonke abantu bendlu kaNimrodi babekhotyokiswe ixesha elide ngabo bonke ookumkani belizwe.

ISAHLUKO 28

1 Kwathi ngaloo mihla, emva kokufa kuka-Abraham, ngaloo mnyaka uYehova wazisa indlala enzima ezweni; kwathi, indlala inzima ezweni lakwaKanan, wesuka uIsake, wehla waya eYiputa ngenxa yendlala, njengoko wenzayo uAbraham uyise.
2 UYehova wabonakala kuIsake ngobo busuku, wathi kuye, Musa ukuhla uye eYiputa; suka uye eGerare, kuAbhimeleki, ukumkani wamaFilisti, uhlale khona ide iphele indlala.
3 Wesuka uIsake, waya eGerare, njengoko uYehova wayemyalele; wahlala khona umnyaka uphela.
4 Akufika uIsake eGerare, abantu belo zwe babona uRebheka umkakhe ukuba wayemhle kakhulu, baza abantu baseGerare bambuza uIsake ngomkakhe, wathi: “Ngudade wethu lo.” Kuba wayesoyika ukuthi ngumkakhe, hleze abantu belo zwe bambulale ngenxa yakhe.
5 Iinkosana zika-Abhimeleki zaya kumdumisa ukumkani, kodwa yena akabaphendulanga, akaphulaphulanga namazwi abo.
6 Kodwa weva besithi uIsake umbhengeze njengodade wabo, waza ukumkani wayigcina loo nto ngaphakathi kuye.
7 Kwathi, uIsake ehleli iinyanga ezintathu ezweni, uAbhimeleki wakhangela ngefestile, wabona, nanko uIsake edlala noRebheka umkakhe; kuba uIsake wayehleli endlwini yokumkani engaphandle, nendlu kaIsake imalunga nendlu yokumkani.
8 Ukumkani wathi kuIsake, Yintoni na le uyenzileyo kuthi, ngokuthi ngomkakho, Ngudade wethu? Hayi indlela ebenokulala ngayo omnye wamadoda amakhulu ebantwini, uze usizisele ityala.
9 Wathi uIsake kuAbhimeleki, Kuba bendisoyika, hleze ndife ngenxa yomkam, ndathi, Ngudade wethu.
10 Ngelo xesha uAbhimeleki wayalela zonke iinkosana zakhe namadoda amakhulu, bathabatha uIsake noRebheka umkakhe, babazisa kukumkani.
11 Ukumkani wayalela ukuba banxibe iingubo zobukhosi, baze babakhwelise ezitratweni zesixeko, baze bavakalise phambi kwabo kulo lonke ilizwe, besithi, Nguye lo umntu, ngumkakhe lo; nabani na ochukumisa le ndoda okanye umfazi wayo uya kufa ngokuqinisekileyo. UIsake wabuyela nomfazi wakhe endlwini yokumkani, iNkosi yayinoIsake, waza waqhubeka ekhula, akaswela nto.
12 UYehova wambangela ukuba uIsake afumane ubabalo emehlweni ka-Abhimeleki, naphambi kwabo bonke abantu bakhe, waza uAbhimeleki wamphatha kakuhle uIsake, kuba uAbhimeleki wasikhumbula isifungo nomnqophiso owawuphakathi kukayise noAbraham.

13 Wathi uAbhimeleki kuIsake, Yabona, ihlabathi lonke liphambi kwakho; hlala apho kulungileyo emehlweni akho, ude ubuyele ezweni lakowenu; uAbhimeleki wamnika uIsake amasimi, nezidiliya, neyona ndawo intle yelizwe laseGerare, ukuba ahlwayele, avune, adle iziqhamo zomhlaba, ide idlule imihla yendlala.
14 UIsake wahlwayela kwelo lizwe, wafumana ikhulu ngaloo mnyaka; uYehova wamsikelela.
15 Indoda leyo yaba nkulu, yaba nempahla yezimvu, nempahla yeenkomo, nenqwaba yabakhonzi.
16 Kwathi, xa imihla yendlala iphelile, uYehova wabonakala kuIsake, wathi kuye, Suka, uphume kule ndawo, ubuyele ezweni lakowenu, ezweni lakwaKanan; wasuka uIsake, wabuyela eHebron, esezweni lakwaKanan, yena nazo zonke izinto zakhe, njengoko uYehova wayemyalele.
17 Emva koko uShelaki unyana waseArpakhishadi wafa ngaloo nyaka, unyaka weshumi elinesibhozo wobomi bukaYakobi noEsawu; kwaye yonke imihla uShelaki awayiphilayo yayingamakhulu amane anamashumi amathathu anesithathu eminyaka waza wafa.
18 Ngelo xesha uIsake wathumela unyana wakhe omncinci uYakobi endlwini kaShem noEbhere, waza wafunda imiyalelo yeNkosi, waza uYakobi wahlala endlwini kaShem noEbhere iminyaka engamashumi amathathu anesibini, uEsawu umntakwabo akahambanga, kuba wayengafuni ukuhamba, waza wahlala endlwini kayise kwilizwe laseKanan.
19 UEsawu wayehlala ezingela endle ukuze azise ekhaya oko wayenokukufumana, wayesenza njalo uEsawu yonke imihla.
20 UEsawu wayeyindoda enobuchule nekhohlisayo, ezingela iintliziyo zabantu aze azifihle, uEsawu wayeyindoda enesibindi endle, waza ekuhambeni kwexesha waya kuzingela njengesiqhelo; wafika kwintsimi yaseSehire, oko kukuthi uEdom.
21 Wahlala kwilizwe laseSehire ezingela endle unyaka oneenyanga ezine.
22 UEsawu wabona apho ezweni lakwaSehire intombi yendoda yaseKanan, egama layo linguYehuditi, intombi kaBheri, unyana kaEfere, womlibo kaHeti, unyana kaKanan.
23 UEsawu wamthabatha waba ngumfazi, wamngena; uEsawu wayeneminyaka engamashumi amane ubudala ukumthabatha kwakhe, wamsa eHebron, ilizwe awayehlala kulo uyise, wahlala khona.
24 Kwathi ngaloo mihla, ngonyaka wekhulu elineshumi wobomi bukaIsake, oko kukuthi, ngonyaka wamashumi amahlanu wobomi bukaYakobi, wafa ngaloo nyaka uShem unyana kaNowa; uShem wayeneminyaka emakhulu mathandathu ubudala ekufeni kwakhe.
25 Kwaye xa uShem wafayo uYakobi wabuyela kuyise eHebron ekwilizwe laseKanan.
26 Kwathi ngonyaka wamashumi amahlanu anesithandathu wobomi bukaYakobi, abantu bafika bevela eHaran, waza uRebheka waxelelwa ngomntakwabo uLabhan unyana kaBhetuweli.
27 Kuba umfazi kaLabhan wayengenabantwana ngaloo mihla, engazali bantwana, kananjalo nazo zonke izicakakazi zakhe azimzalelanga.
28 Emva koko uYehova wamkhumbula uAdina, umfazi kaLabhan, wamitha, wazala amawele, waza uLabhan wawabiza amagama eentombi zakhe, igama lenkulu uLeya, negama lencinci uRakeli.
29 Bafika abo bantu bamxelela uRebheka ezi zinto, waza uRebheka wavuya kakhulu kuba iNkosi imvelele umnakwabo, yaza yafumana abantwana.

ISAHLUKO 29

1 Ke kaloku uIsake, unyana ka-Abraham, wayesele aluphele, ekhulile, namehlo akhe ayesele enorhatyazo kukwaluphala, enorhatyazo, engaboni.
2 Ngelo xesha uIsake wabiza uEsawu unyana wakhe, wathi, Khawuthabathe izixhobo zakho, umphongolo wakho, nesaphetha sakho, usuke uye endle, undizingele inyamakazi, undenzele inyama emnandi, undizisele, ndidle; ukuze ndikusikelele ndingekafi, kuba ngoku ndimdala, ndingwevu.
3 UEsawu wenza njalo, wathabatha isixhobo sakhe, waphuma waya kuzingela inyamakazi endle, njengesiqhelo, ukuze ayizise kuyise njengoko wayemyalele, ukuze amsikelele.
4 URebheka weva onke amazwi kaIsake kuEsawu, wakhawuleza wabiza unyana wakhe uYakobi, wathi, Utsho uyihlo kuEsawu umnakwenu, ndeva nam; khawuleza wenze into endikuxelela yona.
5 Khawuhambe, uye emhlambini, undithabathele amatakane amabini eebhokhwe amahle, ndize ndimthabathele uyihlo ukutya okumnandi, uze umzisele ukutya okumnandi, adle ngaphambi kokuba umntakwenu afike ekusukeleni, ukuze uyihlo akusikelele.
6 Wakhawuleza uYakobi, wenza njengoko unina wayemyalele, wenza inyama emnandi, wayizisa phambi koyise, engekabuyi uEsawu ekumsukeleni kwakhe.
7 UIsake wathi kuYakobi: “Ungubani na, nyana wam?” Wathi yena: “NdinguEsawu, izibulo lakho; ndenze njengoko undiyalele. Sukuma ke ngoku, utye inyamakazi yam, ukuze umphefumlo wakho undisikelele njengoko undixelele.”
8 Wavuka uIsake, wadla, wasela, yathuthuzeleka intliziyo yakhe, wamsikelela uYakobi, uYakobi wemka kuyise; kwathi, akuba uIsake emsikelele uYakobi, wemka kuye, khangela uEsawu wafika evela ekuzingeleni kwakhe, walungisa nenyama emnandi, wayizisa kuyise, ukuba adle kuyo, amsikelele.
9 Wathi uIsake kuEsawu, Ngubani na lo undizingele inyamakazi, wayizisa kum ungekafiki, ndaza ndamsikelela? UEsawu wayesazi ukuba umntakwabo uYakobi wenze oku, waza umsindo kaEsawu wavutha kumntakwabo uYakobi, kuba wayemenzele oku.
10 Wathi uEsawu, Akubizwa ngokuba nguYakobi na, kuba undithabathele indawo kabini, wathabatha ubuzibulo bam, ngoku uthabathe nentsikelelo yam? UEsawu walila kakhulu; wathi uIsake akuliva ilizwi lonyana wakhe uEsawu elila, wathi uIsake kuEsawu, Ndingenza ntoni na, nyana wam, umninawa wakho weza ngenkohliso, wathabatha intsikelelo yakho; uEsawu wamthiya uYakobi umntakwabo ngenxa yentsikelelo awamnika yona uyise, wavutha umsindo wakhe kuye.

11 UYakobi woyika kakhulu uEsawu umntakwabo, waza wesuka wabalekela endlwini kaEbhere unyana kaShem, wazimela apho ngenxa yomntakwabo, kwaye uYakobi wayeneminyaka engamashumi amathandathu anesithathu ubudala xa wayephuma kwilizwe lakwaKanan esuka eHebron, kwaye uYakobi wafihlwa endlwini kaEbhere iminyaka elishumi elinesine ngenxa yomntakwabo uEsawu, waza apho waqhubeka efunda iindlela zeNkosi nemiyalelo yayo.
12 Uthe uEsawu akubona ukuba uYakobi ubalekile, wabaleka, nokuba uYakobi ufumene intsikelelo ngobuqili, wakhathazeka kakhulu uEsawu, waba nomsindo kuyise nonina; naye wesuka wathabatha umfazi wakhe, wemka kuyise nonina, waya ezweni laseSehire, wahlala khona; uEsawu wabona apho umfazi phakathi kweentombi zikaHeti ogama linguBhosemati, intombi kaElon umHeti, wamthabatha njengomfazi, ukongeza kumfazi wakhe wokuqala, uEsawu wamthiya igama elinguAda, esithi intsikelelo yayimkile ngelo xesha kuye.
13 UEsawu wahlala ezweni laseSehire iinyanga ezintandathu, engamboni uyise nonina; emva koko uEsawu wabathabatha abafazi bakhe, wesuka, wabuyela ezweni lakwaKanan; uEsawu wababeka abafazi bakhe bobabini endlwini kayise eHebron.
14 Abafazi bakaEsawu babacaphukisa uIsake noRebheka ngemisebenzi yabo, kuba babengahambi ngeendlela zeNkosi, kodwa babekhonza oothixo boyise bomthi namatye njengoko uyise wayebafundisile, kwaye babengendawo ngaphezu koyise.
15 Bahamba ngokweminqweno emibi yeentliziyo zabo, baza banikela amadini baza batshisa iziqhumiso kuBhahali, uIsake noRebheka bakruquka ngabo.
16 Wathi uRebheka, Ndikruqukile bubomi bam ngenxa yeentombi zakwaHeti; ukuba uYakobi uthe wazeka umfazi ezintombini zakwaHeti, ezinje ngezi ntombi zeli lizwe, buyintoni na ke ubomi kum?
17 Ngaloo mihla uAda umkaEsawu wamitha, wamzalela unyana; uEsawu wamthiya igama lonyana awamzalelwayo uElifazi; uEsawu wayeneminyaka engamashumi amathandathu anesihlanu ubudala ekumzaleni kwakhe.
18 UIshmayeli unyana ka-Abraham wafa ngaloo mihla, ngonyaka wamashumi amathandathu anesine wobomi bukaYakobi, kwaye yonke imihla uIshmayeli awayiphilayo yayiyiminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amathathu anesixhenxe waza wafa.
19 Weva uIsake ukuba uIshmayeli ufile, wamlilela; uIsake wamlilela imihla emininzi.
20 Kwathi ekupheleni kweminyaka elishumi elinesine uYakobi ehleli endlwini kaEbhere, uYakobi wanqwenela ukubona uyise nonina, uYakobi wafika endlwini kayise nonina eHebron, uEsawu ngaloo mihla wayeyilibele into awayeyenzile uYakobi kuye ngokuthabatha intsikelelo kuye ngaloo mihla.
21 Wathi uEsawu akubona uYakobi esiza kuyise nonina, wakhumbula oko uYakobi wayemenzele kona, waza wacaphuka kakhulu waza wafuna ukumbulala.
22 Ke kaloku uIsake unyana ka-Abraham wayesele aluphele, ekhulile ngeminyaka, wathi uEsawu, Ngoku iyasondela imihla kabawo yokuba afe; ndiya kumbulala umninawa wam uYakobi xa efile.
23 Waxelelwa uRebheka oku, wakhawuleza wathumela, wabiza uYakobi unyana wakhe, wathi kuye, Suka, ubalekele kwaHaran kumnakwethu uLabhan, uhlale khona okwethutyana, ude umsindo womnakwenu ubuye kuwe, wandule ke ukubuya.
24 UIsake wabiza uYakobi, wathi kuye, Musa ukuthatha umfazi kwiintombi zakwaKanan; kuba uAbraham ubawo wasiyalela ngolo hlobo ngokwelizwi leNkosi, awamyalela lona, esithi, Ndiya kuyinika imbewu yakho eli lizwe; ukuba abantwana bakho bayawugcina umnqophiso wam endiwenzileyo nawe, ndiya kuyenza kubantwana bakho into endiyithethileyo kuwe, andiyi kubashiya.
25 Ngoko ke nyana wam, phulaphula ilizwi lam, kuko konke endikuyalela kona, uze ungazithathi umfazi phakathi kweentombi zakwaKanan; suka uye eHaran endlwini kaBhetuweli uyise wonyoko, uze uzithabathele umfazi apho kwiintombi zikaLabhan, unyokolume.
26 Ngoko ke lumka hleze umlibale uYehova uThixo wakho nazo zonke iindlela zakhe kwilizwe oya kulo, uze udibane nabantu belizwe, usukele izinto ezingento, umlahle uYehova uThixo wakho.
27 Kodwa xa ufika kwilizwe ukhonze uYehova apho, ungajiki uye ngasekunene okanye ngasekhohlo kwindlela endakuyalela ngayo newayifundayo.
28 Kwaye ngamana uThixo uSomandla angakunika ubabalo emehlweni abantu bomhlaba, ukuze uzithabathele apho umfazi ngokwendlela othanda ngayo; olungileyo nothe tye ezindleleni zeNkosi.
29 Ngamana uThixo angakunika intsikelelo ka-Abraham uyihlo, wena nembewu yakho, akunike inzala, akwandise, ube zizizwe ezininzi ezweni oya kulo, aze uThixo akubuyisele kweli lizwe, ilizwe lokuhlala kukayihlo, nabantwana, nobutyebi obukhulu, ngovuyo nangovuyo.
30 Wakugqiba uIsake ukumyala uYakobi nokumsikelela, wamnika izipho ezininzi, kunye nesilivere negolide, wamndulula; uYakobi wamphulaphula uyise nonina, wabanga, wesuka waya ePadan-aram; uYakobi wayeneminyaka engamashumi asixhenxe anesixhenxe ubudala ekuphumeni kwakhe ezweni lakwaKanan eBhershebha.
31 Kwathi, xa uYakobi wayesiya eHaran, uEsawu wabiza uElifazi unyana wakhe, wathetha naye ngasese, esithi, Khawuleza, thabatha ikrele lakho esandleni sakho, umsukele uYakobi, udlule phambi kwakhe endleleni, umlalele, umbulale ngekrele lakho kwenye yeentaba, uthathe konke okungokwakhe, ubuye.
32 UElifazi unyana kaEsawu wayeyindoda ekhutheleyo neyingcali ekubambeni isaphetha njengoko uyise wayemfundisile, kwaye wayengumzingeli odumileyo endle nendoda ekhaliphileyo.
33 UElifazi wenza njengoko uyise wayemyalele, waza uElifazi ngelo xesha wayeneminyaka elishumi elinesithathu ubudala, waza uElifazi wesuka waya kuthatha abantakwabo nonina abalishumi, wasukela uYakobi.
34 Wamlandela uYakobi, waza wamlalela emdeni welizwe lakwaKanan malunga nesixeko saseShekem.
35 UYakobi wambona uElifazi namadoda akhe emsukela, uYakobi wema kuloo ndawo wayesiya kuyo, ukuze azi ukuba yintoni na le, kuba wayengayazi loo nto; uElifazi walirhola ikrele lakhe, waqhubeka ehamba, yena namadoda akhe, esiya kuYakobi; wathi uYakobi kubo, Yintoni na le

nize apha, kwaye yintoni na le nto niyisukelayo ngamakrele enu?
36 UElifazi wasondela kuYakobi waza waphendula wathi kuye, Ubawo undiyalele ngolu hlobo, kwaye ngoku andiyi kuphambuka kwimiyalelo andinike yona ubawo; waza uYakobi wabona ukuba uEsawu uthethe noElifazi ukuba asebenzise amandla, uYakobi wasondela waza wambongoza uElifazi namadoda akhe, esithi kuye,
37 Khangela konke endinako noko utata nomama bandinike kona, okukuthathayo kuwe kwaye kum, kwaye ungandibulali, kwaye le nto ingabalwa kuwe njengobulungisa.
38 UYehova wambangela ukuba uYakobi afumane ubabalo emehlweni kaElifazi unyana kaEsawu, namadoda akhe, baliphulaphula ilizwi likaYakobi, abambulala; uElifazi namadoda akhe bathabatha konke okwakaYakobi, kunye nesilivere negolide awayeze nayo eBher-shebha; abamshiyanga nto.
39 UElifazi namadoda akhe bemka kuye, babuyela kuEsawu eBhershebha, bamxelela konke okwenzeke kubo kuYakobi, bamnika konke ababekuthabathile kuYakobi.
40 UEsawu wamqumbela uElifazi unyana wakhe, namadoda akhe awayenaye, kuba bengambulalanga uYakobi.
41 Baphendula bathi kuEsawu, Ngenxa yokuba uYakobi esicengile kule nto ukuba singambulali, inceba yethu yavutha kuye, saza sathabatha konke okungokwakhe sakuzisa kuwe; waza uEsawu wathabatha yonke isilivere negolide awayeyithabathile uElifazi kuYakobi, wayifaka endlwini yakhe.
42 Ngelo xesha uEsawu wabona ukuba uIsake umsikelele uYakobi, wamwisela umthetho, esithi, Uze ungazeki mfazi ezintombini zakwaKanan, nokuba iintombi zakwaKanan bezimbi emehlweni kaIsake noRebheka,
43 Emva koko waya endlwini kaIshmayeli, umalume wakhe, waza ukongeza kubafazi bakhe abadala wathabatha uMahalati, intombi kaIshmayeli, udade boNebhayoti, ukuba abe ngumfazi wakhe.

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1 Waphuma uYakobi waya eHaran, wafika entabeni yaseMoriya, walala khona ubusuku bonke kufutshane nomzi waseLuzi; iNkosi yabonakala apho kuYakobi ngobo busuku, yathi kuye, NdinguYehova uThixo ka-Abraham noThixo kaIsake uyihlo; ilizwe olele kulo ndiya kulinika wena nembewu yakho.
2 Yabona, ndinawe, ndiya kukugcina naphi na apho uya khona, ndiya kuyandisa imbewu yakho njengeenkwenkwezi zezulu, ndiziwise zonke iintshaba zakho phambi kwakho; xa zilwa nawe, aziyi kukunqoba, ndiya kukubuyisela kweli lizwe ngovuyo, nabantwana, nobutyebi obukhulu.
3 Wavuka uYakobi ebuthongweni bakhe, wavuya kakhulu ngumbono awawubonayo; waza wathi igama laloo ndawo yiBheteli.
4 UYakobi wesuka apho evuya kakhulu, waza xa ehamba iinyawo zakhe zaziva zikhululekile kuye ngenxa yovuyo, wasuka apho waya kwilizwe labaseMpuma, wabuyela eHaran, wahlala ngasemthonjeni womalusi.
5 Wafumana amadoda avela kwaHaran, esiya kwalusa imihlambi yawo, waza uYakobi wawabuza, athi, Sivela kwaHaran.
6 Wathi kubo, Niyamazi na uLabhan, unyana kaNahore? Bathi, Siyamazi, nanku intombi yakhe uRakeli iyeza ukuza kwalusa umhlambi kayise.
7 Esathetha nabo, uRakeli, intombi kaLabhan, wafika, eza kwalusa impahla emfutshane kayise; kuba wayengumalusikazi.
8 Wathi uYakobi akumbona uRakeli, intombi kaLabhan, umntakwabonina, wabaleka waya kumanga, waphakamisa izwi lakhe, walila.
9 UYakobi wamxelela uRakeli ukuba ungunyana kaRebheka, udade boyise, waza uRakeli wabaleka waya kuxelela uyise, waza uYakobi waqhubeka elila kuba wayengenanto yokuyisa endlwini kaLabhan.
10 Uthe uLabhan akukuva ukuba uYakobi unyana wodade wabo ufikile, wabaleka waya kumanga, wamanga, wamngenisa endlwini, wamnika isonka, wadla.
11 UYakobi wamxelela uLabhan oko uEsawu umntakwabo wakwenzayo kuye, noko uElifazi unyana wakhe wakwenzayo kuye endleleni.
12 UYakobi wahlala endlwini kaLabhan inyanga yonke, uYakobi wadla, wasela endlwini kaLabhan, waza emva koko uLabhan wathi kuYakobi, Ndixelele umvuzo wakho, kuba ungandikhonza njani ngelize?
13 ULabhan wayengenanyana, wayeneentombi zodwa, kwaye abanye abafazi bakhe nabakhonzazana bakhe babesaludlolo ngaloo mihla; kwaye la ngamagama eentombi zikaLabhan awamzalela zona uAdina umfazi wakhe; igama lenkulu yayinguLeya kwaye igama lencinci yayinguRakeli; kwaye uLeya wayenamehlo athambileyo, kodwa uRakeli wayemhle kwaye emhle, kwaye uYakobi wayemthanda.
14 Wathi uYakobi kuLabhan, Ndokukhonza iminyaka esixhenxe ngenxa kaRakeli intombi yakho encinci; uLabhan wavuma oku, waza uYakobi wakhonza uLabhan iminyaka esixhenxe ngenxa kaRakeli intombi yakhe.
15 Ngomnyaka wesibini wokuhlala kukaYakobi kwaHaran, oko kukuthi, ngomnyaka wamashumi asixhenxe anesithoba wobomi bukaYakobi, wafa ngaloo mnyaka uEbhere, unyana kaShem, ebeminyaka imakhulu mane anamanci mathandathu anesine ezelwe, ekufeni kwakhe.
16 UYakobi weva ukuba uEbhere ufile, waba buhlungu kakhulu, wamlilela iintsuku ezininzi.
17 Ngomnyaka wesithathu wokuhlala kukaYakobi eHaran, uBhosemati, intombi kaIshmayeli, umkaEsawu, wamzalela unyana; uEsawu wamthiya igama elinguRehuweli.
18 Kwaye kunyaka wesine uYakobi ehlala endlwini kaLabhan, iNkosi yamtyelela uLabhan yamkhumbula ngenxa kaYakobi, waza wazalelwa oonyana, kwaye izibulo lakhe lalinguBhehore, elesibini lalinguAlibhi, kwaye elesithathu lalinguKorashe.
19 UYehova wamnika uLabhan ubutyebi nozuko, oonyana neentombi; indoda leyo yanda kakhulu ngenxa kaYakobi.
20 Ngaloo mihla uYakobi wayekhonza uLabhan kuyo yonke imisebenzi, endlwini nasentsimini, kwaye intsikelelo yeNkosi yaba kuko konke okwakungokaLabhan endlwini nasentsimini.

21 Ngomnyaka wesihlanu wafa uYehuditi, intombi kaBheri, umkaEsawu, ezweni lakwaKanan, engenanyana, eneentombi zodwa.
22 Ngawo la amagama eentombi zakhe awazalela uEsawu: igama lenkulu yayinguMarziti, igama lencinci linguPuwiti.
23 Akufa uYehuditi, uEsawu wesuka waya kuzingela endle eSehire, njengesiqhelo; uEsawu wahlala ezweni lakwaSehire ixesha elide.
24 Ngomnyaka wesithandathu uEsawu wathabatha umfazi, kunye nabanye abafazi bakhe, uAhibhama, intombi kaZebheyon, umHivi; uEsawu wamsa ezweni lakwaKanan.
25 UAhlibhama wamitha, wamzalela uEsawu oonyana abathathu, uYehushe, noYalan, noKora.
26 Ngaloo mihla, ezweni lakwaKanan, kwabakho ingxabano phakathi kwabalusi bakaEsawu nabalusi babemi belizwe lakwaKanan, kuba imfuyo kaEsawu nempahla yakhe yayininzi kakhulu ukuba ahlale ezweni lakwaKanan, endlwini kayise, kwaye ilizwe lakwaKanan lalingenakumthwala ngenxa yemfuyo yakhe.
27 Wabona uEsawu ukuba ingxabano yakhe nabemi belizwe lakwaKanan iyakhula, wesuka wathabatha abafazi bakhe, noonyana bakhe, neentombi zakhe, nayo yonke impahla yakhe, nemfuyo awayeyifuyile, nayo yonke impahla yakhe awayeyiqwebile ezweni lakwaKanan, wemka kwabemi belo zwe, waya ezweni lakwaSehire; wahlala uEsawu nabo bonke abanaye ezweni lakwaSehire.
28 Kodwa uEsawu wayesiya kubona uyise nonina kwilizwe lakwaKanan, waza uEsawu watshata namaHori, waza wanika iintombi zakhe oonyana bakaSehire, umHori.
29 Wanika intombi yakhe enkulu uMarziti kuAna, unyana kaZebheyon, umntakwabo mkakhe, waza uPuwiti wamnika uAzare, unyana kaBhilehan, umHori; waza uEsawu wahlala entabeni, yena nabantwana bakhe, bazala baza banda.

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1 Kwathi ngomnyaka wesixhenxe, wagqitywa umsebenzi kaYakobi awamkhonzayo uLabhan, wathi uYakobi kuLabhan, Ndinike umfazi wam, kuba imihla yokukhonza kwam izalisekile; wenjenjalo uLabhan, bahlanganisa uLabhan noYakobi bonke abantu baloo ndawo, benza isidlo.
2 Kwathi ngokuhlwa uLabhan wafika endlwini, waza emva koko uYakobi wafika apho nabantu bomsitho, uLabhan wazicima zonke izibane ezazilapho endlwini.
3 UYakobi wathi kuLabhan: “Kutheni le nto usenzela le nto?” Waphendula uLabhan wathi: “Le yindlela esiqhuba ngayo kweli lizwe.”
4 Emva koko uLabhan wathabatha intombi yakhe uLeya, wamsa kuYakobi; wafika kuye, kodwa uYakobi wayengazi ukuba nguLeya.
5 ULabhan wanika intombi yakhe uLeya, isicakakazi sakhe, uZilipa, ukuba abe ngumkhonzazana wakhe.
6 Bonke abantu ababesesithekweni babesazi into eyenziwe nguLabhan kuYakobi, kodwa abazange bamxelele uYakobi loo nto.
7 Bonke abamelwane bafika endlwini kaYakobi ngobo busuku, badla, basela, bavuya, badlala phambi koLeya ngeengqongqo, besina; baphendula uYakobi, uHeleya, uHeleya.
8 UYakobi weva amazwi abo kodwa akayiqonda intsingiselo yawo, kodwa wacinga ukuba loo nto isenokuba sisiko labo kweli lizwe.
9 Abamelwane bathetha la mazwi phambi kukaYakobi ebusuku, kwaye zonke izibane ezazisendlwini uLabhan awayeyifakile ngobo busuku zacinywa.
10 Kwathi kusasa, xa kwaphuma ilanga, uYakobi wajika waya kumkakhe, wabona, nanko uLeya elele esifubeni sakhe, wathi uYakobi, Yabona, ndiyazi into ethethwe ngabamelwane izolo ebusuku, Heleah, bathe, kwaye bendingazi.
11 UYakobi wabiza uLabhan, wathi kuye, Yintoni na le undenze yona? Bendikukhonze ngenxa kaRakeli, kutheni undikhohlisa nje, undinike uLeya?
12 Waphendula uLabhan wathi kuYakobi, Akwenziwa njalo kule ndawo yethu, ukuthi ndenze into engeyiyo, ndinike encinanana ngaphambi kwenkulu. Ukuba ke unqwenela ukumthabatha udade wayo, mthabathele kuwe, ukuze undikhonze eminye iminyaka esixhenxe.
13 Wenjenjalo uYakobi, wathabatha noRakeli waba ngumfazi, wakhonza uLabhan iminyaka esixhenxe, waza uYakobi waya kuRakeli, wamthanda uRakeli ngaphezu koLeya, waza uLabhan wamnika isicakakazi sakhe uBhiliha ukuba abe sisicakakazi.
14 UYehova wabona ukuba uLeya uthiyiwe, wavula isizalo sakhe, wamitha, wamzalela uYakobi oonyana abane ngaloo mihla.
15 Ngawo la amagama abo: uRubhen, uSimeyon, uLevi, noYuda, waza emva koko wayeka ukuzala.
16 Ngelo xesha uRakeli wayeludlolo, engenabantwana, uRakeli wammonela uLeya udade wabo, wathi uRakeli akubona ukuba akamzaleli bantwana uYakobi, wathabatha isicakakazi sakhe uBhiliha, waza wamzalela uYakobi oonyana ababini, uDan noNafetali.
17 Uthe uLeya akubona ukuba uyekile ukuzala, wathabatha nesicakakazi sakhe uZilipa, wamnika uYakobi ukuba abe ngumfazi wakhe; uYakobi wafika noZilipa, waza wamzalela uYakobi oonyana ababini, uGadi noAshere.
18 Waphinda wamitha uLeya, waza wazala oonyana ababini noYakobi ngaloo mihla, nentombi enye; ngamagama abo la: uIsakare, uZebhulon, noDina udade wabo.
19 URakeli wayesaludlolo ngaloo mihla, waza uRakeli wathandaza kuYehova ngelo xesha, wathi: “Nkosi yam, Thixo, ndikhumbule, undivelele, ndiyakubongoza, kuba ngoku indoda yam iza kundilahla, kuba andimzalelanga bantwana.”
20 Kaloku, Nkosi yam, yiva umthandazo wam phambi kwakho, ubone iintsizi zam, undiphe abantwana njengomnye wabakhonzazana, ukuze ndingabi sathwala ihlazo lam.
21 UThixo wamva waza wavula isibeleko sakhe, wamitha uRakeli, wazala unyana, wathi, UYehova uyisusile ihlazo lam. Wamthiya igama elinguYosefu, esithi, UYehova makandongezelele omnye unyana. UYakobi wayeneminyaka engamashumi asithoba ananye ubudala ekumzaleni kwakhe.
22 Ngelo xesha, unina kaYakobi, uRebheka, wathumela uDebhora, intombi kaUze, umzalisi wakhe, kunye nabakhonzi ababini bakaIsake, kuYakobi.

23 Bafika kuYakobi eHaran, bathi kuye, URebheka usithumile kuwe ukuba ubuyele endlwini kayihlo ezweni lakwaKanan; UYakobi wabaphulaphula oko wayekuthethile unina.
24 Ngelo xesha, eminye iminyaka esixhenxe uYakobi awakhonza ngayo uLabhan ngenxa kaRakeli yagqitywa, kwaye kwathi ekupheleni kweminyaka elishumi elinesine ehleli eHaran, uYakobi wathi kuLabhan, Ndinike abafazi bam undindulule, ukuze ndiye ezweni lakowethu, kuba khangela, umama undithumelele kwilizwe lakwaKanan ukuba ndibuyele endlwini kabawo.
25 Wathi uLabhan kuye, Hayi, ndicela; ukuba ndifumene ubabalo emehlweni akho, musa ukundishiya; ndimisele umvuzo wakho, ndiwunike, ndihlale nam.
26 Wathi uYakobi kuye, Nantsi into omawundinike yona ngomvuzo, ukuba namhlanje ndiya kucanda phakathi kwempahla yakho yonke emfutshane, ndithabathe kuyo zonke izimvu ezinala nezirhwexu, nezimnyama phakathi kwezimvu, neebhokhwe; ukuba uthe wandenzela le nto, ndiya kubuya ndiyaluse impahla yakho emfutshane, ndiyigcine njengakuqala.
27 ULabhan wenza njalo, waza uLabhan wasusa emhlambini wakhe konke oko uYakobi wayekuthethile, wamnika kona.
28 UYakobi wabeka zonke izinto awayezithathile emhlambini kaLabhan ezandleni zoonyana bakhe, waza uYakobi walusa impahla eseleyo kaLabhan.
29 Bathi abakhonzi bakaIsake, awayebathumile kuYakobi, babona ukuba uYakobi akabuyi nabo ezweni lakwaKanan kuyise, bemka kuye, babuyela ezweni lakwaKanan.
30 UDebhora wahlala noYakobi eHaran, akabuyanga nabakhonzi bakaIsake kwilizwe lakwaKanan, kodwa uDebhora wahlala nabafazi bakaYakobi nabantwana bakhe eHaran.
31 UYakobi wakhonza uLabhan iminyaka emithandathu engakumbi, waza wathi akuzala, uYakobi wazisusa zonke ezinala nezirhwexu, njengoko wayemkhethile uLabhan; uYakobi wenza njalo kwaLabhan iminyaka emithandathu; yanda kakhulu loo ndoda, yaba neenkomo, nezicaka, nezicaka, neenkamela, namaesile.
32 UYakobi wayeneenkomo ezingamakhulu amabini, iinkomo zakhe zazinkulu kwaye zintle kwaye zazinobutyebi obuninzi, kwaye zonke iintsapho zoonyana babantu zazinqwenela ukufumana ezinye zemfuyo kaYakobi, kuba zazinobutyebi obukhulu.
33 Baninzi oonyana babantu abaya kufuna impahla emfutshane kaYakobi, waza uYakobi wabanika izimvu, ngesicaka, okanye isicakakazi, okanye iesile, okanye inkamela, okanye nantoni na uYakobi awayeyinqwenela kubo.
34 UYakobi wafumana ubutyebi, udumo, nezinto eziphathekayo ngale ntengiselwano noonyana babantu, baza abantwana bakaLabhan bammonela ngale mbeko.
35 Kwathi ekuhambeni kwexesha weva amazwi oonyana bakaLabhan, besithi, UYakobi uzithabathile zonke izinto zikabawo, kwaye uzuze konke oko bekukokukabawo.
36 Kwaye uYakobi wabona ubuso bukaLabhan nobabantwana bakhe, kwaye qaphela ukuba babungenguye ngaloo mihla njengoko babunjalo ngaphambili.
37 INkosi yabonakala kuYakobi ekupheleni kweminyaka emithandathu, yathi kuye, Suka, uphume kweli lizwe, ubuyele ezweni owazalelwa kulo, ndiya kuba nawe.
38 Wesuka uYakobi ngelo xesha, wakhwela abantwana bakhe, nabafazi bakhe, nayo yonke into anayo, ezinkameleni, waphuma waya kuIsake uyise ezweni lakwaKanan.
39 ULabhan wayengazi ukuba uYakobi umkile kuye, kuba uLabhan wayecheba iigusha ngaloo mini.
40 URakeli weba imifanekiso kayise, wayithabatha, wayifihla enkameleni awayehleli kuyo, wahamba.
41 Kwaye le yindlela yemifanekiso; ekuthabatheni indoda eyizibulo ize imbulale ize imsuse iinwele entlokweni yakhe, ize ithathe ityuwa ize ityiwe entlokweni ize iyithambise ngeoyile, ize ithathe icwecwe elincinci lobhedu okanye icwecwe legolide ize ibhale igama kuyo, ize ibeke icwecwe phantsi kolwimi lwayo, ize ithathe intloko kunye necwecwe phantsi kolwimi lwayo ize ilibeke endlwini, ize ikhanyise izibane phambi kwayo ize iqubude kuyo.
42 Kwaye ngexesha abaqubuda kulo, lithetha nabo kuyo yonke into abayicelayo kulo, ngamandla egama elibhaliweyo kulo.
43 Kwaye abanye bazenza ngemifanekiso yabantu, yegolide neyesilivere, baze baye kuzo ngamaxesha aziwayo kubo, kwaye imifanekiso yamkela impembelelo yeenkwenkwezi, kwaye ibaxelele izinto zexesha elizayo, kwaye ngale ndlela yayiyimifanekiso uRakeli awayeyibile kuyise.
44 URakeli wayiba le mifanekiso iqingqiweyo kayise, ukuze uLabhan angazi ngayo apho uYakobi wayeye khona.
45 Wafika uLabhan ekhaya waza wabuza ngoYakobi nendlu yakhe, kodwa akafumanekanga, waza uLabhan wafuna imifanekiso yakhe ukuze azi apho uYakobi wayeye khona, kodwa akayifumananga, waza waya kweminye imifanekiso, waza wabuza kuyo baza bamxelela ukuba uYakobi wayebaleke waya kuyise, kwilizwe laseKanan.
46 Wasuka ke uLabhan, wathabatha abantakwabo, nazo zonke izicaka zakhe, waphuma, wasukela uYakobi, wamfumana entabeni yaseGiliyadi.
47 Wathi uLabhan kuYakobi, Yintoni na le undenze yona, ukuba ubaleke undikhohlise, uqhube iintombi zam nabantwana bazo njengabathinjwa abathinjwe ngekrele?
48 Awundivumelanga ukuba ndibange ndize ndibandulule ngovuyo, kwaye weba oothixo bam waza wemka.
49 Waphendula uYakobi wathi kuLabhan, Kungokuba bendisoyika ukuba ungandithathela iintombi zakho, ngoko ke nabani na ofumana oothixo bakho uya kufa naye.
50 ULabhan wakhangela imifanekiso eqingqiweyo, wayikhangela kuzo zonke iintente zikaYakobi nempahla yakhe, kodwa akayifumana.
51 Wathi uLabhan kuYakobi, Siya kwenza umnqophiso kunye, ube bubungqina phakathi kwam nawe; ukuba uthe wazicinezela iintombi zam, okanye wathabatha abanye abafazi ngaphandle kweentombi zam, uThixo uya kuba lingqina phakathi kwam nawe kule nto.
52 Bathabatha amatye, benza imfumba, wathi uLabhan, Le mfumba lingqina phakathi kwam nawe; ngenxa yoko wathi igama layo yiGiliyadi.
53 UYakobi noLabhan babingelela umbingelelo entabeni, badla khona ecaleni kwemfumba, balala entabeni ubusuku

bonke; uLabhan wavuka kusasa, walila neentombi zakhe, wabanga, wabuyela endaweni yakhe.
54 Wakhawuleza wamndulula unyana wakhe uBhehore, oneminyaka elishumi elinesixhenxe ubudala, noAbhikoro unyana kaUtse, unyana kaNahore, enamadoda alishumi.
55 Bakhawuleza bahamba, badlula phambi kukaYakobi, bafika ngenye indlela eya ezweni laseSehire.
56 Bafika kuEsawu, bathi kuye, Utsho umnakwenu nomzalwana wakho, uLabhan unyana kaBhetuweli, umnakwenu kanyoko, ukuthi,
57 Ngaba uvile into ayenzileyo kum uYakobi umntakwenu, owathi kuqala weza kum eze kwaye enganxibanga, ndaya kumhlangabeza, ndamzisa endlwini yam ngozuko, ndamenza mkhulu, ndaza ndamnika iintombi zam ezimbini ukuba zibe ngabafazi, kunye nezicakakazi zam ezimbini.
58 UThixo wamsikelela ngenxa yam, waza wanda kakhulu, waba noonyana, iintombi, nezicakakazi.
59 Unemfuyo eninzi yemihlambi yeegusha neenkomo, iinkamela needonki, nesilivere negolide; wathi akubona ukuba ubutyebi bakhe buyanda, wandishiya ngelixa ndandisiya kucheba iigusha zam, wasuka wabaleka ngasese.
60 Waza wakhwelisa abafazi bakhe nabantwana bakhe ezinkameleni, waza waqhuba yonke imfuyo yakhe nempahla yakhe awayeyifumene kwilizwe lam, waza waphakamisa ubuso bakhe waya kuyise uIsake, kwilizwe laseKanan.
61 Akandivumelanga ukuba ndibange iintombi zam nabantwana bazo, waza waqhuba iintombi zam njengabathinjwa abathinjwe ngekrele, waza weba noothixo bam waza wabaleka.
62 Kwaye ngoku ndimshiye entabeni yomlanjana waseYabhuki, yena nazo zonke izinto zakhe; akasweli nto.
63 Ukuba unqwenela ukuya kuye, yiya apho, uze umfumane khona, wenze kuye njengoko umphefumlo wakho unqwenela. Bafika abathunywa bakaLabhan, bamxelela uEsawu zonke ezi zinto.
64 UEsawu weva onke amazwi ezithunywa zikaLabhan, umsindo wakhe wavutha kakhulu kuYakobi, wakhumbula intiyo yakhe, nomsindo wakhe wavutha ngaphakathi kuye.
65 Wakhawuleza uEsawu, wathabatha abantwana bakhe, nabakhonzi bakhe, nemiphefumlo yendlu yakhe, amadoda angamashumi amathandathu, waya wahlanganisa bonke oonyana bakaSehire, umHori, nabantu babo, amadoda angamakhulu amathathu anamashumi amane, wathabatha lonke eli nani lamadoda angamakhulu amane, ephethe iikrele, waya kuYakobi ukuze ambulale.
66 UEsawu wawahlulahlula la manani abe ngamaqela aliqela, waza wathabatha amadoda angamashumi amathandathu kubantwana bakhe nakubakhonzi bakhe, nemiphefumlo yendlu yakhe, njengentloko enye, waza wawanika uElifazi unyana wakhe omkhulu, ukuba anyamekele.
67 Kwaye iintloko eziseleyo wazinika ukuba zigcinwe ngoonyana abathandathu bakaSehire umHori, waza wabeka indoda nganye kwizizukulwana zayo nakubantwana bayo.
68 Lonke eli qela lahamba njengoko lalinjalo, uEsawu waya phakathi kwabo ukuya kuYakobi, waza wabakhokela ngokukhawuleza.
69 Abathunywa bakaLabhan bemka kuEsawu, baya ezweni lakwaKanan, bafika endlwini kaRebheka unina kaYakobi noEsawu.
70 Bamxelela besithi, Yabona, unyana wakho uEsawu uhlasele umntakwabo uYakobi enamadoda angamakhulu amane, kuba evile ukuba uyeza, kwaye uye kulwa naye, ukuze ambulale, aze athabathe konke anako.
71 Wakhawuleza uRebheka, wathuma amadoda angamashumi asixhenxe anamabini avela kubakhonzi bakaIsake, ukuba aye kumkhawulela uYakobi endleleni; kuba wathi, Mhlawumbi uEsawu angalwa endleleni, akumfumana.
72 Aba bathunywa bahamba endleleni ukuya kuhlangabeza uYakobi, baza bahlangana naye endleleni yomlambo ngaphesheya komlambo iYabhuki, wathi uYakobi akuzibona, Eli qela limiselwe mna nguThixo, uYakobi wathi igama laloo ndawo yiMaknayim.
73 UYakobi wayebazi bonke abantu bakayise, waza wababanga, wabawola, waza weza nabo, waza uYakobi wababuza ngoyise nonina, bathi, Baphilile.
74 Aba bathunywa bathi kuYakobi, URebheka unyoko usithumile kuwe, esithi, Ndivile, nyana wam, ukuba uEsawu umnakwenu uphumile ukukukhawulela endleleni kunye namadoda avela koonyana bakaSehire umHori.
75 Ke ngoko, nyana wam, phulaphula ilizwi lam uze ubone ngecebiso lakho into oza kuyenza, kwaye xa efika kuwe, mcele, kwaye ungathethi ngokungxama kuye, kwaye umnike isipho kwizinto onazo, nakwizinto uThixo akubabalele ngazo.
76 Kwaye xa ekubuza ngemicimbi yakho, ungamfihli nto, mhlawumbi angajika emsindweni wakhe ngakuwe uze ngaloo ndlela usindise umphefumlo wakho, wena nabo bonke abakho, kuba ngumsebenzi wakho ukumhlonela, kuba ungumkhuluwa wakho.
77 Wathi uYakobi akuweva amazwi kanina awayethethwe ngabathunywa kuye, uYakobi waphakamisa ilizwi lakhe waza walila kabuhlungu, waza wenza njengoko unina wayemyalele.

ISAHLUKO 32

1 Ngelo xesha uYakobi wathumela abathunywa kuEsawu umntakwabo ezweni laseSehire, bathetha naye amazwi okumbongoza.
2 Wabawisela umthetho esithi, Nothi enkosini yam, kuEsawu, Utsho umkhonzi wakho uYakobi ukuthi, Inkosi yam mayingathi intsikelelo kabawo indincedile.
3 Kuba ndineminyaka engamashumi amabini ndikunye noLabhan, waza wandikhohlisa waza watshintsha umvuzo wam izihlandlo ezilishumi, njengoko yonke into sele ixelelwe enkosini yam.
4 Ndamkhonza endlwini yakhe ngokuzibhokoxa okukhulu, waza uThixo wayibona inkxwaleko yam, nomsebenzi wam, waza wandinika ubabalo nenceba emehlweni akhe.
5 Kwaye emva koko ngenceba enkulu kaThixo nobubele bakhe ndafumana iinkomo, iiesile, iinkomo, kunye nezicaka, nezicakakazi.
6 Ngoku ndifikile ezweni lakowethu, ekhayeni lam, kubawo nakumama, abasezweni lakwaKanan; ndithumele ukuba ndixelele inkosi yam konke oku, ukuze ndifumane ubabalo emehlweni enkosi yam, hleze icinge ukuba ndifumene ubutyebi, okanye ukuba intsikelelo andisikelele ngayo ubawo indenzele okulungileyo.

7 Ke kaloku abo bathunywa baya kuEsawu, bamfumana emideni yelizwe lakwaEdom, besiya kuYakobi, kukho amadoda angamakhulu amane oonyana bakaSehire, umHori, emi ephethe amakrele.
8 Abathunywa bakaYakobi bamxelela uEsawu onke amazwi uYakobi awawathethayo kubo ngoEsawu.
9 UEsawu wabaphendula ngokuzikhukhumeza nangokudelela, wathi kubo, Ndivile, kwaye ndixelelwe ngenene oko uYakobi akwenzileyo kuLabhan, owamphakamisa endlwini yakhe waza wamnika iintombi zakhe ukuba zibe ngabafazi, waza wazala oonyana neentombi, waza wanda kakhulu ngobutyebi nangobutyebi endlwini kaLabhan ngezinto zakhe.
10 Wathi akubona ukuba ubutyebi bakhe buninzi kwaye ubutyebi bakhe bukhulu, wabaleka nayo yonke into eyayiyeyakhe, endlwini kaLabhan, waza waqhuba iintombi zikaLabhan kude noyise, njengabathinjwa abathinjwe ngekrele ngaphandle kokumxelela.
11 Kwaye uYakobi akenzanga njalo kuLabhan kuphela kodwa nakum wenze njalo waza wandikhohlisa kabini, kwaye ndiya kuthi cwaka na?
12 Kaloku ke namhla ndize kumkhawulela neenkampu zam, ndize kwenza kuye ngokweminqweno yentliziyo yam.
13 Babuya abathunywa, beza kuYakobi, bathi kuye, Sifikile kumkhuluwa wakho, kuEsawu, samxelela onke amazwi akho, wasiphendula ngolu hlobo; nanko, uyeza kukukhawulela enamadoda angamakhulu amane.
14 Yazi ngoku, ubone into omawuyenze, uze uthandaze kuThixo ukuba akuhlangule kuye.
15 Wathi akuweva amazwi omntakwabo awayewathethile kubathunywa bakaYakobi, uYakobi woyika kakhulu, wabandezeleka.
16 UYakobi wathandaza kuYehova uThixo wakhe, wathi, Yehova, Thixo woobawo, Abraham noIsake, wathetha wena kum ekuphumeni kwam endlwini kabawo, wathi,
17 NdinguYehova uThixo kayihlo uAbraham noThixo kaIsake, ndiya kulinika wena eli lizwe nembewu yakho emva kwakho, kwaye ndiya kuyenza imbewu yakho ibe njengeenkwenkwezi zezulu, kwaye uya kusasazwa uye kumacala omane ezulu, kwaye kuwe nakwimbewu yakho zonke iintsapho zomhlaba ziya kusikelelwa.
18 Waza wawagcina amazwi akho, wandinika ubutyebi, abantwana, neenkomo, njengoko intliziyo yam yayinqwenela; wandinika konke endikucelileyo kuwe, kangangokuba andiswelanga nto.
19 Waza wathi kum kamva, Buyela kubazali bakho nasekhaya lakho, ndiya kuhlala ndikulungele.
20 Kwaye ngoku ekubeni ndifikile, waza wandihlangula kuLabhan, ndiza kuwela ezandleni zikaEsawu oya kundibulala, ewe, kunye noonina babantwana bam.
21 Ke ngoko, Nkosi yam Thixo, khawundihlangule esandleni somntakwethu uEsawu, ngokuba ndiyamoyika kakhulu.
22 Ukuba akukho bulungisa kum, yenzani oko ngenxa ka-Abraham nobawo uIsake.
23 Kuba ndiyazi ukuba ndizuze obu butyebi ngenceba nangenceba; ngoko ke ndiyakubongoza ukuba undihlangule namhlanje ngenceba yakho, undiphendule.
24 UYakobi wayeka ukuthandaza kuYehova; wabahlulahlula abantu ababenaye, nempahla emfutshane, neenkomo, baba ngamaqela amabini; wanikela isiqingatha senkampu esandleni sikaDameseki, unyana kaEliyezere, umkhonzi ka-Abraham, nabantwana bakhe, nesinye isiqingatha wasinika esandleni somntakwabo uEliyanoni, unyana kaEliyezere, ukuba sibe senkampuni nabantwana bakhe.
25 Wabayalela wathi, “Yimani kude neenkampu zenu, ningasondeli kakhulu omnye komnye, ukuba uEsawu uthe wafika kwenye inkampu wayibulala, enye inkampu ekude nayo iya kusaba kuye.”
26 UYakobi wahlala apho ngobo busuku, waza wabanika imiyalelo abakhonzi bakhe malunga nemikhosi nabantwana bakhe ubusuku bonke.
27 UYehova wawuva umthandazo kaYakobi ngaloo mini, waza uYehova wamhlangula uYakobi esandleni somntakwabo uEsawu.
28 UYehova wathumela iingelosi ezintathu zezulu, zahamba phambi kukaEsawu, zaza zafika kuye.
29 Ezi ngelosi zabonakala kuEsawu nakubantu bakhe njengamadoda angamawaka amabini, ekhwele amahashe ephethe zonke iintlobo zezixhobo zemfazwe, kwaye zabonakala emehlweni kaEsawu nawo onke amadoda akhe ukuba ahlulwe abe ngamaqela amane, kunye neenkokheli ezine kuzo.
30 Kwadlula iqela elinye, baza bamfumana uEsawu esiza namadoda angamakhulu amane esiya kumntakwabo uYakobi, yaye eli qela labaleka laya kuEsawu nakubantu bakhe, laza laboyikisa, waza uEsawu wawa ehasheni exhalabile, kwaye onke amadoda akhe ahlukana naye kuloo ndawo, kuba ayesoyika kakhulu.
31 Bonke abantu ababesemkhosini bakhwaza emva kwabo xa babebaleka uEsawu, baza bonke abantu abanamandla okulwa baphendula bathi:
32 Ngokuqinisekileyo singabakhonzi bakaYakobi, ongumkhonzi kaThixo, ngubani na ke onokumelana nathi?” Wathi uEsawu kubo, “Owu, nkosi yam nomntakwethu uYakobi yinkosi yenu, endingazange ndiyibone kule minyaka ingamashumi amabini, kwaye ngoku ekubeni ndize kumbona namhlanje, ngaba nindiphatha ngolu hlobo?”
33 Izithunywa zamphendula zisithi, Njengoko iNkosi ihleli, ukuba uYakobi othetha ngaye ngomntakwenu, besingenakumshiya namnye kuwe nakubantu bakho, kodwa ngenxa kaYakobi asiyi kubenza nto.
34 Le nkampu yadlula kuEsawu nakumadoda akhe, yaza yemka, uEsawu namadoda akhe bahamba besuka kubo malunga nesivumelwano xa iqela lesibini lafika kuye liphethe zonke iintlobo zezixhobo, kwaye benza kuEsawu nakumadoda akhe njengoko iqela lokuqala lenza kubo.
35 Bakuba bemkile ukuze baqhubeke, khangela iqela lesithathu liza kuye kwaye bonke boyika, waza uEsawu wawa ehasheni, kwaye lonke iqela lakhala, lathi, Ngokuqinisekileyo singabakhonzi bakaYakobi, ongumkhonzi kaThixo, kwaye ngubani na onokuma nxamnye nathi?
36 Waphendula uEsawu kwakhona, wathi kubo, Nkosi yam uYakobi, nenkosi yenu, ngumnakwethu, kwaye andimbonanga ubuso bakhe kangangeminyaka engamashumi amabini, kwaye andivanga namhla ukuba uyeza, ndiye ndamhlangabeza namhlanje, kwaye undenzela ngolu hlobo?

37 Bamphendula bathi kuye, Ehleli nje uYehova, ukuba uYakobi ebengengomntakwenu na njengoko ubutshilo, besingayi kushiyanga ntsalela kuwe nakumadoda akho, kodwa ngenxa kaYakobi othetha ngaye njengomzalwana wakho, asiyi kuphazamisana nawe okanye namadoda akho.
38 Neqela lesithathu ladlula kubo, waqhubeka nendlela yakhe namadoda akhe ukuya kuYakobi, xa iqela lesine lafika kuye, nabo benza kuye nakumadoda akhe njengoko abanye babenzile.
39 Wathi uEsawu akububona ububi obabenziwe zizithunywa ezine kuye nakumadoda akhe, woyika kakhulu umntakwabo uYakobi, waza waya kumhlangabeza ngoxolo.
40 UEsawu wayifihla intiyo yakhe kuYakobi, kuba wayesoyika ubomi bakhe ngenxa yomntakwabo uYakobi, nangenxa yokuba wayecinga ukuba amaqela amane awayewahlasele ayengabakhonzi bakaYakobi.
41 UYakobi wahlala ngobo busuku nabakhonzi bakhe ezinkampini zabo, waza wagqiba nabakhonzi bakhe ukuba banike uEsawu isipho kwizinto zonke awayenazo, nakwimpahla yakhe yonke; wavuka kusasa uYakobi namadoda akhe, bakhetha phakathi kweenkomo isipho sikaEsawu.
42 Nasi ke isixa sesipho awasikhethayo uYakobi emhlambini wakhe, ukuba asinike uEsawu umkhuluwa wakhe: wakhetha amakhulu amabini anamanci mane emhlambini, wakhetha ezinkameleni, nakumaesile angamashumi amathathu, nganye inkunzi, neenkomo ezingamashumi amahlanu.
43 Wazibeka zonke zibe yimihlambi elishumi, wabeka uhlobo ngalunye lodwa, wazinikela ezandleni zabakhonzi bakhe abalishumi, umhlambi ngamnye wodwa.
44 Wabayalela, wathi kubo, Yimani kude omnye komnye, nibeke isithuba phakathi kwemihlambi; xa uEsawu nabo banaye bahlangana nani, banibuza besithi, Ningoobani na, nisiya phi na, kwaye ngokabani na konke oku phambi kwenu, nothi kubo, Singabakhonzi bakaYakobi, size kumhlangabeza uEsawu ngoxolo, nanko uYakobi esiza ngasemva kwethu.
45 Kwaye oko kuphambi kwethu sisipho esithunyelwe nguYakobi kumntakwabo uEsawu.
46 Ukuba bathi kuni, Yini na ukuba alibazise emva kwenu, ukuba angamkhawuleli umzalwana wakhe, aze abone ubuso bakhe, nothi kubo, Inene, uza emva kwethu evuya, ukuba amhlangabeze umzalwana wakhe; kuba wathi, Ndiya kumthomalalisa ngesipho esiza kuye, ndize emva koko ndibubone ubuso bakhe, mhlawumbi angandamkela.
47 Ngoko yonke isipho sadlula ezandleni zabakhonzi bakhe, sahamba phambi kwakhe ngaloo mini, waza walala ngobo busuku neenkampu zakhe ngasemdeni womlambo iYabhuki, wavuka phakathi kobusuku, wathabatha abafazi bakhe nezicakakazi zakhe, nazo zonke izinto zakhe, waza ngobo busuku wadlula kubo ngaphesheya kwezibuko iYabhuki.
48 Wadlula konke okwakhe phezu komlambo, uYakobi wasala yedwa, wahlangana nendoda, yazabalaza naye ngobo busuku kwada kwasa; umngxuma wethanga likaYakobi waphuma ngenxa yokubambana naye.
49 Kwathi kwakusa, indoda leyo yamshiya apho uYakobi, yamsikelela, yemka; uYakobi wadlula umlambo kwakusa, waqhwalela ethangeni lakhe.
50 Ilanga laphuma phezu kwakhe xa wayedlule umlambo, waza wafika kwindawo apho kwakukho iinkomo zakhe nabantwana bakhe.
51 Bahamba ke kwada kwaba semini emaqanda; xa babehamba, isipho sasihamba phambi kwabo.
52 Waphakamisa amehlo akhe uYakobi, wabona uEsawu esiza mgama, ehamba namadoda amaninzi, emalunga namakhulu amane; uYakobi woyika kakhulu umntakwabo.
53 Wakhawuleza uYakobi, wababela abantwana bakhe kubafazi bakhe, nakubakhonzi bakhe; wabeka uDina intombi yakhe etyeyeni, wayinikela esandleni sabakhonzi bakhe.
54 Wadlula phambi kwabantwana bakhe nabafazi bakhe ukuya kumhlangabeza umntakwabo, waqubuda emhlabeni, ewe waqubuda kasixhenxe wada wasondela kumntakwabo, waza uThixo wamenza uYakobi wafumana ubabalo nenceba emehlweni kaEsawu namadoda akhe, kuba uThixo wayewuvile umthandazo kaYakobi.
55 Uloyiko lukaYakobi noloyiko lwakhe lwawela phezu komntakwabo uEsawu, kuba uEsawu wayemoyika kakhulu uYakobi ngenxa yento izithunywa zikaThixo ezaziyenzile kuEsawu, umsindo kaEsawu kuYakobi waba yinceba.
56 Wathi uEsawu akubona uYakobi ebaleka esiza kuye, naye wabaleka waya kuye waza wamanga, wawa entanyeni yakhe, baza bamanga, balila.
57 UThixo wabeka uloyiko nobubele kuYakobi ezintliziyweni zamadoda awayeze noEsawu, baza bamanga noYakobi baza bamanga.
58 Kananjalo uElifazi, unyana kaEsawu, kunye nabazalwana bakhe abane, oonyana bakaEsawu, balila noYakobi, baza bamanga baza bamanga, kuba uloyiko lukaYakobi lwabafikela bonke.
59 Waphakamisa amehlo akhe uEsawu, wababona abafazi nabantwana babo, oonyana bakaYakobi, behamba emva kukaYakobi, bequbuda ngasendleleni eya kuEsawu.
60 UEsawu wathi kuYakobi, “Ngoobani aba banawe, mzalwana wam? Ngaba ngabantwana bakho okanye zizicaka zakho?” UYakobi waphendula wathi kuEsawu, “Ngabantwana bam uThixo abanike umkhonzi wakho ngenceba.”
61 Kwathi uYakobi esathetha noEsawu namadoda akhe, uEsawu wabona yonke inkampu, wathi kuYakobi, Uvela phi na yonke inkampu endihlangane nayo izolo ebusuku? Wathi uYakobi, Ukuze ndifumane ubabalo emehlweni enkosi yam, yiloo nto uThixo ayinike umkhonzi wakho ngenceba.
62 Umnikelo wafika phambi kukaEsawu, uYakobi wamcinezela uEsawu, esithi, Khawuthabathe isipho endisizise enkosini yam. Wathi uEsawu, Kutheni na le nto ndiyithethayo? Gcina okwakho.
63 Wathi uYakobi, Kungumthwalo wam ukunika konke oku, ekubeni ndibubonile ubuso bakho, ukuba usaphila ngoxolo.
64 Akavuma uEsawu ukwamkela isipho, wathi uYakobi kuye, Ndicela uxolo, nkosi yam, ukuba kaloku ndibabalwe nguwe, samkele isipho sam esandleni sam; kuba ndibubonile ubuso bakho, ngathi ndibone ubuso obufana nobukathixo, kuba undikholisile.
65 UEsawu wasithabatha isipho, waza uYakobi wamnika uEsawu isilivere negolide nebhedolaki, kuba wayemnyanzela kakhulu kangangokuba wazithabatha.

66 UEsawu wawahlulahlula amathole eenkomo awayesenkampini, waza wawanika amadoda awayeze naye isiqingatha esinye, kuba ayeze ngentlawulo, waza esinye isiqingatha wasinikela esandleni sabantwana bakhe.
67 Waza wanikela ngesilivere negolide nebhedolayim ezandleni zikaElifazi unyana wakhe omkhulu, waza uEsawu wathi kuYakobi, Masihlale nawe, size sihambe nawe kancinci ude ufike kwam, sihlale apho kunye.
68 UYakobi wamphendula umntakwabo wathi, Ndingenza njengoko inkosi yam ithetha kum, kodwa inkosi yam iyazi ukuba abantwana bathambile, kwaye imihlambi yeegusha neenkomo ezinamathole azo ezikunye nam, zihamba kancinci kancinci, kuba ukuba bezihamba ngokukhawuleza zonke ziya kufa, kuba uyazi imithwalo yazo kunye nokudinwa kwazo.
69 Inkosi yam mayidlule phambi komkhonzi wayo, mna ndihambe kancinci ngenxa yabantwana nemihlambi, ndide ndifike enkosini yam eSehire.
70 Wathi uEsawu kuYakobi, Ndiya kubeka nawe abanye babantu abanam, bakugcine endleleni, bakuthwale ukudinwa kwakho nomthwalo wakho. Wathi, Kulungile na, nkosi yam, ukuba ndibabalwe nguwe?
71 Yabona, ndiza kuza kuwe eSehire, ukuze ndihlale apho kunye njengoko uthethileyo, hamba ke nabantu bakowenu, kuba ndiya kukulandela.
72 UYakobi wathetha oku kuEsawu ukuze amsuse uEsawu namadoda akhe kuye, ukuze uYakobi emva koko aye endlwini kayise kwilizwe laseKanan.
73 UEsawu waliphulaphula ilizwi likaYakobi, wabuya uEsawu namadoda angamakhulu amane awayenaye endleleni eya eSehire, waza uYakobi nabo bonke ababenaye ngaloo mini bahamba baya esiphelweni selizwe laseKanan, emideni yalo, wahlala khona ixesha elithile.

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1 Kwathi emva kwexesha elithile uYakobi ephumile kwimida yelizwe, wafika kwilizwe laseSalem, oko kukuthi isixeko saseShekem, esisezweni laseKanan, waza walala phambi kwesixeko.
2 Wathenga intsimi eyayilapho, koonyana bakaHamore, abantu belo zwe, ngeeshekele ezintlanu.
3 UYakobi wakha indlu apho, wamisa intente yakhe khona, wenza iintente zeenkomo zakhe; ngenxa yoko wathi igama laloo ndawo yiSukoti.
4 UYakobi wahlala eSukoti unyaka oneenyanga ezintandathu.
5 Ngelo xesha abanye abafazi babemi belo lizwe baya kwisixeko saseShekem ukuya kungqungqa nokuvuya neentombi zabantu besixeko, kwaye xa baphumayo, uRakeli noLeya abafazi bakaYakobi kunye neentsapho zabo baya kubona uvuyo lweentombi zesixeko.
6 UDina intombi kaYakobi naye wahamba nabo waza wabona iintombi zesixeko, baza bahlala apho phambi kwezi ntombi ngelixa bonke abantu besixeko bemi ecaleni kwazo ukuze babone uvuyo lwazo, kwaye bonke abantu abakhulu besixeko babelapho.
7 Kwaye uShekem unyana kaHamore, inkosana yelizwe, naye wayemi apho ukuze ababone.
8 UShekem wambona uDina intombi kaYakobi ehleli nonina phambi kweentombi zomzi, waza intombi leyo yamkholisa kakhulu, waza wabuza apho abahlobo bakhe nabantu bakhe, esithi, Ngubani na lo uhleli phakathi kwabafazi, endingamaziyo kulo mzi?
9 Bathi kuye, Inene, lo yintombi kaYakobi unyana kaIsake umHebhere, obehlala kwesi sixeko ixesha elide, kwaye xa kwaxelwa ukuba iintombi zelo lizwe ziyaphuma ziyovuya, waya nonina kunye nezicakakazi zakhe ukuya kuhlala phakathi kwabo njengoko ubona.
10 UShekem wambona uDina intombi kaYakobi, waza wathi akumjonga, umphefumlo wakhe wanamathela kuDina.
11 Wathumela ukuba athathwe ngenkani, waza uDina wafika endlwini kaShekem, wambamba ngenkani, walala naye, wamdlwengula, wamthanda kakhulu, wambeka endlwini yakhe.
12 Bafika bamxelela uYakobi loo nto. Weva uYakobi ukuba uShekem ungcolisile intombi yakhe uDina, uYakobi wathuma abalishumi elinababini kwizicaka zakhe ukuba baye kuthabatha uDina endlwini kaShekem, baya endlwini kaShekem, bamthabatha uDina apho.
13 Bakufika uShekem waphuma waya kubo kunye namadoda akhe waza wabagxotha endlwini yakhe, kwaye akazange abavumele ukuba beze phambi kukaDina, kodwa uShekem wayehleli noDina emanga kwaye emanga phambi kwamehlo abo.
14 Babuya abakhonzi bakaYakobi, bamxelela, besithi, Sifikile, yena namadoda akhe basigxotha; wenjenjalo uShekem kuDina phambi kwamehlo ethu.
15 Wazi uYakobi ukuba uShekem ungcolisile intombi yakhe, kodwa akathethanga nto, oonyana bakhe babesalusa imfuyo yakhe endle, waza uYakobi wahlala ethule de babuya.
16 Ngaphambi kokuba oonyana bakhe babuye ekhaya, uYakobi wathumela iintombi ezimbini ezivela kwiintombi zezicaka zakhe ukuba ziye kunyamekela uDina endlwini kaShekem, zize zihlale naye, waza uShekem wathumela abahlobo bakhe abathathu kuyise uHamore unyana kaKidekem, unyana kaPerede, esithi, Ndithabathele le ntombazana ibe ngumfazi.
17 Wafika uHamore, unyana kaKidekem, umHivi, endlwini kaShekem unyana wakhe, wahlala phambi kwakhe; wathi uHamore kunyana wakhe, Shekem, Akukho mfazi na phakathi kweentombi zabantu bakowenu, ukuba uthabathe umfazi womHebhere ongengowakowenu?
18 Wathi uShekem kuye, Ndithengele yona yodwa, kuba ithandeka emehlweni am. Wenza ke uHamore ngokwelizwi lonyana wakhe, kuba wayethandwa kakhulu nguye.
19 Waphuma uHamore waya kuYakobi, esiya kuthetha naye ngale nto. Akuba emkile endlwini kaShekem unyana wakhe, engekafiki kuYakobi, ukuthetha naye, bafika oonyana bakaYakobi bevela endle, bakuva into eyenziwe nguShekem unyana kaHamore.
20 Amadoda lawo aba buhlungu kakhulu ngenxa yodade wawo, aza abuya onke evutha ngumsindo, ngaphambi kokuba kufike ixesha lokuqokelela iinkomo zawo.
21 Baza bahlala phambi koyise baza bathetha naye bevutha ngumsindo, besithi, Inene ukufa kufaneleke kule ndoda nakwindlu yayo, kuba iNkosi uThixo womhlaba wonke yayalela uNowa nabantwana bakhe ukuba umntu angaze aphange, okanye akrexeze; ngoku khangela uShekem umtshabalalisile waza wahenyuza nodadewethu, kwaye

akukho namnye kubo bonke abantu besixeko owathetha nto kuye.
22 Ngokuqinisekileyo uyazi kwaye uyaqonda ukuba isigwebo sokufa sifanelekile kuShekem, nakuyise, nakuwo wonke umzi ngenxa yento ayenzileyo.
23 Kwathi besathetha phambi koyise ngale nto, khangela, uHamore uyise kaShekem weza kuthetha noYakobi amazwi onyana wakhe ngoDina, wahlala phambi koYakobi naphambi koonyana bakhe.
24 Wathetha uHamore kubo, esithi, Umphefumlo wonyana wam uShekem uyayilangazelela intombi yakho; khanimnike ibe ngumkakhe, nizekelane nathi; sinikeni iintombi zenu, nathi sininike iintombi zethu; nihlale nathi ezweni lethu, sibe ngabantu banye kweli lizwe.
25 Kuba ilizwe lethu likhulu kakhulu; hlalani, nirhwebe kulo, nifuye kulo, nenze ngoko kunqweneleka kwenu; kungabikho mntu uya kunithintela ekuthetheni nani.
26 Wagqiba uHamore ukuthetha noYakobi noonyana bakhe, nanko uShekem unyana wakhe emlandela, wahlala phambi kwabo.
27 UShekem wathetha phambi koYakobi noonyana bakhe, esithi, Mandibabalwe emehlweni enu, ukuba nindinike intombi yenu, nento eniyithethayo kum, ndiya kuyenzela yona.
28 Celani imali eninzi nesipho, kwaye ndiza kuninika, kwaye nantoni na eniyithethayo kum ndiya kuyenza, kwaye nabani na oya kuvukela imiyalelo yenu, uya kufa; ndinikeni kuphela intombi ibe ngumfazi.
29 USimon noLevi babaphendula ngenkohliso uHamore noShekem unyana wakhe, bathi, Konke okuthethileyo kuthi siya kukwenzela.
30 Kwaye nanku udade wethu endlwini yakho, kodwa hlala kude naye de sithumele kuIsake ubawo ngale nto, kuba asinakwenza nto ngaphandle kwemvume yakhe.
31 Kuba uyazazi iindlela zikabawo wethu uAbraham, kwaye nantoni na ayithethayo kuthi siya kukuxelela, asiyi kukufihlela nto.
32 USimeyon noLevi bathetha oku kuShekem noyise ukuze bafumane isizathu, baze bacebise ukuba kuza kwenziwa ntoni kuShekem nakwisixeko sakowabo ngale nto.
33 Xa uShekem noyise beva amazwi kaSimon noLevi, kwabonakala kulungile emehlweni abo, baza uShekem noyise baphuma baya emakhaya.
34 Bakuba bemkile, oonyana bakaYakobi bathi kuyise, besithi, Yabona, siyazi ukuba ukufa kubangelwe ngaba bantu bangendawo nesixeko sabo, kuba baphule oko uThixo wayekuyalele kuNowa nakubantwana bakhe nakwimbewu yakhe emva kwabo.
35 Kananjalo ngenxa yokuba uShekem wenza le nto kuDina udade wethu ngokumngcolisa, kuba ububi obunjalo abuyi kwenziwa phakathi kwethu.
36 Ngoko ke yazi uze ubone ukuba uza kwenza ntoni na, ucele icebiso nesizathu sokuba kuza kwenziwa ntoni kubo, ukuze kubulawe bonke abemi beli sixeko.
37 USimon wathi kubo: “Nali icebiso elihle kuni: Baxeleleni ukuba bonke abesilisa phakathi kwabo baluke njengoko nathi salukile, yaye ukuba abafuni ukwenza oku, siya kuyithabatha intombi yethu kubo size simke.”
38 Kwaye ukuba bayavuma ukwenza oku kwaye baya kukwenza, ke xa betshonile ziintlungu, siya kubahlasela ngamakrele ethu, njengakulowo uzolileyo nozolileyo, kwaye siya kubulala wonke umntu oyindoda phakathi kwabo.
39 Icebiso likaSimeyon laba lihle kubo, baza ooSimeyon noLevi bagqiba ekubeni benze njengoko babecetyisiwe.
40 Kwathi ngengomso uShekem noHamore uyise babuya kuYakobi noonyana bakhe, besiya kuthetha ngoDina, beve ukuba oonyana bakaYakobi baya kuphendula bathini na ngamazwi abo.
41 Oonyana bakaYakobi bathetha nabo ngenkohliso, besithi, Simxelele ubawo onke amazwi akho, uIsake, alunga amazwi akho kuye.
42 Kodwa wathetha nathi, esithi, UAbraham uyise wamwisela umthetho ngolu hlobo evela kuThixo iNkosi yehlabathi lonke, wokuba nabani na ongengowembewu yakhe onqwenela ukuthatha enye yeentombi zakhe, makabangele ukuba yonke into eyindoda ekuye yaluke, njengoko salukile thina, size ke simnike intombi yethu ibe ngumfazi.
43 Ngoku sikuxelele zonke iindlela zethu awasixelela zona ubawo, kuba asinakukwazi ukwenza le nto uyithethileyo kuthi, ukunika intombi yethu kwindoda engalukanga, kuba oko kulihlazo kuthi.
44 Kodwa ke siya kuvuma ngale nto, ukuba sininike intombi yethu, size nathi sizithabathele iintombi zenu, sihlale phakathi kwenu, sibe ngabantu abanye, njengoko nithethile, ukuba niza kusiphulaphula, nivume ukuba njengathi, naluse onke amadoda kuni, njengoko salukile thina.
45 Ukuba anivumi ukusiphulaphula, saluse onke amadoda njengoko salukileyo, njengoko sisiyalele, soza kuni, sithabathe intombi yethu kuni, simke.
46 UShekem noyise uHamore baweva amazwi oonyana bakaYakobi, baza bawamkela loo mazwi. UShekem noyise uHamore bakhawuleza ukwenza oko kwathethwa ngoonyana bakaYakobi, kuba uShekem wayemthanda kakhulu uDina, waza umphefumlo wakhe wamthanda.
47 UShekem noHamore uyise bakhawuleza baya esangweni lomzi, bahlanganisa onke amadoda omzi wabo, bathetha kuwo amazwi oonyana bakaYakobi, besithi,
48 Sifikile kula madoda, oonyana bakaYakobi, saza sathetha nawo malunga nentombi yawo, kwaye la madoda aya kuvuma ukwenza ngokweminqweno yethu, kwaye khangela ilizwe lethu likhulu kakhulu kubo, kwaye baya kuhlala kulo, barhwebe kulo, kwaye siya kuba ngabantu abanye; siya kuthatha iintombi zabo, kwaye siya kubanika iintombi zethu zibe ngabafazi babo.
49 Kodwa ke kuphela phantsi kwale meko aba bantu baya kuvuma ukuyenza le nto, yokuba onke amadoda kuthi aluke njengoko alukayo, njengoko uThixo wabo wawayalelayo, size ke xa sigqibile ukwenza ngokomyalelo wabo wokwaluka, bahlale nathi, kunye nemfuyo yabo nezinto zabo, size sibe ngabantu abanye nabo.
50 Akuva onke amadoda esixeko amazwi kaShekem noyise uHamore, onke amadoda esixeko sakowabo avumelana neli cebo, aza athobela ukuba aluke, kuba uShekem noyise uHamore babehlonitshwa kakhulu ngabo, bengabathetheli belizwe.
51 Kwathi ngengomso, uShekem noHamore uyise bavuka kusasa, bahlanganisa onke amadoda omzi wabo phakathi

komzi, babiza oonyana bakaYakobi, babalusa bonke abangamadoda babo ngaloo mini nangolandelayo.
52 Bamlusa uShekem noHamore uyise, nabazalwana abahlanu bakaShekem, baza besuka bonke baya emakhaya; kuba le nto yayivela kuYehova nxamnye nomzi wakwaShekem, kwaye icebo likaSimeyon lalivela kuYehova ngale nto, ukuze uYehova awunikele umzi wakwaShekem esandleni soonyana bakaYakobi ababini.

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1 Inani lamadoda alwalukileyo ngamadoda angamakhulu amathandathu anamanci mane anesihlanu, nabantwana abangamakhulu amabini anamanci mane anesithandathu.
2 Kodwa uKidekem, unyana kaPerede, uyise kaHamore, nabazalwana bakhe abathandathu, abazange bamphulaphule uShekem noyise uHamore, kwaye abazange bavume ukwaluswa, kuba isicelo soonyana bakaYakobi sasibi emehlweni abo, kwaye umsindo wabo wavutha kakhulu yile nto, kuba abantu besixeko abazange babaphulaphule.
3 Kwathi ngokuhlwa kosuku lwesibini, bafumana abantwana abancinci abasibhozo ababengalukanga, kuba oonina babebafihlile kuShekem nakuyise uHamore, nakumadoda esixeko.
4 UShekem noyise uHamore bathumela ukuba baziswe phambi kwabo ukuze baluswe, xa uKidekem nabazalwana bakhe abathandathu babahlasela ngamakrele abo, baza bafuna ukubabulala.
5 Bafuna ukubulala noShekem noyise uHamore, baza bafuna ukubulala uDina nabo ngenxa yale nto.
6 Bathi kubo, Yintoni na le niyenzileyo? Akukho bafazi na phakathi kweentombi zabazalwana benu, amaKanan, ukuba nifune ukuzithabathela iintombi zamaHebhere, eningazaziyo ngaphambili, nize nenze le nto bangayiwiselanga umthetho ooyihlo?
7 Ucinga ukuba uza kuphumelela ngesi senzo usenzayo? Kwaye uza kuphendula uthini kule nto kubazalwana bakho abangamaKanan, abaza kufika ngomso bakubuze ngale nto?
8 Ukuba isenzo senu asibonakali silungile emehlweni abo, niya kwenza ntoni na ngenxa yobomi benu, nam ngenxa yobomi bethu, ekubeni ningaphulaphulanga amazwi ethu?
9 Ukuba abemi belizwe, nabazalwana bakho bonke, oonyana bakaHam, baya kuyiva le nto yakho, besithi,
10 Ngenxa yomfazi ongumHebhere uShekem noyise uHamore, nabo bonke abemi besixeko sabo, benza oko babengakuqhelanga, nto leyo ookhokho babo ababengabayalelanga yona, niya kubalekela phi na, nize nifihle phi ihlazo lenu, yonke imihla yenu phambi kwabazalwana benu, abemi belizwe lakwaKanan?
11 Ngoku ke asinakuyinyamezela le nto uyenzileyo, asinakuthwaliswa le dyokhwe phezu kwethu, leyo ookhokho bethu babengasiyalelanga yona.
12 Khangela ngomso siza kuya sihlanganise bonke abazalwana bethu, abazalwana abangamaKanan ababhlala kweli lizwe, size sonke size sikuxabele wena nabo bonke abakholose ngawe, ukuze kungabikho baseleyo kuwe okanye kubo.
13 Xa uHamore nonyana wakhe uShekem nabo bonke abantu baloo mzi bakuvayo oko kwathethwa nguKidekem nabazalwana bakhe, boyika kakhulu ubomi babo, baza baguquka koko bakwenzileyo.
14 UShekem noHamore uyise baphendula uKidekem uyise nabazalwana bakhe, bathi kubo, Onke amazwi owawathethayo kuthi ayinyaniso.
15 Ke kaloku musani ukuthi, ningacingi ezintliziyweni zenu ukuba ngenxa yothando lwamaHebhere senze le nto singayalelwanga ngookhokho bethu.
16 Kodwa ngenxa yokuba sibonile ukuba kwakungeyonjongo yabo nomnqweno wabo ukuvuma iminqweno yethu malunga nentombi yabo malunga nokumthabatha kwethu, ngaphandle kwalo mqathango, ngoko ke siwaphulaphule amazwi abo saza senza esi senzo nisibonileyo, ukuze sifumane umnqweno wethu kubo.
17 Sakuba sifumene isicelo sethu kubo, siya kubuyela kubo size senze kubo oko nisixelela kona.
18 Siyanibongoza ke ukuba nilinde nize nilinde ide inyama yethu iphiliswe size siphinde somelele, size emva koko siye kunye nxamnye nabo, senze kubo oko kusezintliziyweni zenu nakwezethu.
19 UDina intombi kaYakobi weva onke la mazwi abethethwe nguKidekem nabazalwana bakhe, noko baphendulwa nguHamore nonyana wakhe uShekem, nabantu bomzi wabo.
20 Wakhawuleza wathumela enye yeentombi zakhe, eyayithunyelwe nguyise ukuba imnyamekele endlwini kaShekem, kuYakobi uyise nakubantakwabo, esithi:
21 UKidekem nabazalwana bakhe bacebisa ngawe, baza baphendula ngolo hlobo noHamore noShekem nabemi bomzi.
22 Wathi uYakobi akuweva la mazwi wazaliswa ngumsindo, waza waba nomsindo ngabo, waza wavutha ngumsindo wakhe kubo.
23 USimon noLevi bafunga bathi, Ehleli nje uYehova, uThixo wehlabathi lonke, ngomso ngeli xesha, akuyi kubakho masalela kulo lonke isixeko.
24 Kwaye amadoda angamashumi amabini aselula ayezifihlile awayengalukanga, aza la madoda aselula alwa noSimeyon noLevi, waza uSimeyon noLevi babulala ishumi elinesibhozo lawo, baza ababini babaleka kubo baza babalekela kwimihadi yekalika eyayisesixekweni, uSimeyon noLevi babafuna, kodwa abazange babafumane.
25 USimeyon noLevi baqhubeka bejikeleza esixekweni, baza bababulala bonke abantu besixeko ngohlangothi lwekrele, abashiyanga namnye useleyo.
26 Kwaye kwabakho uloyiko olukhulu phakathi kwesixeko, kwaye isikhalo sabantu besixeko senyuka saya ezulwini, kwaye bonke abafazi nabantwana bakhala kakhulu.
27 USimon noLevi babulala wonke umzi, abashiyanga ndoda kuwo wonke umzi.
28 Babulala uHamore noShekem unyana wakhe ngohlangothi lwekrele, bamthabatha uDina endlwini kaShekem, bemka apho.
29 Oonyana bakaYakobi baya, babuya, babafumana ababuleweyo, baphanga yonke impahla yabo eyayisesixekweni nasemasimini.
30 Kwathi besathabatha amaxhoba, amadoda angamakhulu amathathu ema, abaphosa ngothuli, ababetha ngamatye, xa uSimeyon wajika waya kubo, wababulala bonke ngohlangothi lwekrele, uSimeyon wajika waya kuLevi, wangena esixekweni.

31 Bathabatha imihlambi yabo yezimvu neenkomo zabo neenkomo zabo, kwanentsalela yabafazi nabantwana, baza babakhokela bonke aba, baza bavula isango baza baphuma baya kuyise uYakobi ngamandla.
32 UYakobi wakubona konke abakwenzileyo kulo mzi, wabona namaxhoba abawafumene kubo, waba nomsindo kakhulu, wathi kubo, Yintoni na le nindenze yona? Yabonani, ndiphumle phakathi kwabemi belizwe abangamaKanan, akukho namnye kubo ondichasileyo.
33 Kwaye ngoku undenze ndalisikizi kubemi beli lizwe, phakathi kwamaKanan namaPerizi, kwaye ndimbalwa kakhulu, kwaye bonke baya kuhlanganisana nxamnye nam bandibulale xa besiva ngomsebenzi wakho nabazalwana babo, kwaye mna nendlu yam siya kutshatyalaliswa.
34 USimon noLevi nabo bonke abazalwana babo baphendula uYakobi uyise, bathi kuye, Yabona, sihlala kweli lizwe, uShekem uya kukwenza oku kudade wethu na? Kutheni na uthule ngako konke akwenzileyo uShekem? Uya kumphatha udade wethu njengehenyukazi ezitratweni na?
35 Inani labafazi uSimeyon noLevi ababathimbayo kwisixeko saseShekem, abangazange bababulale, yayingamashumi asibhozo anesihlanu ababengayazi indoda.
36 Phakathi kwabo kwakukho intombi entle nebukekayo, egama linguBuna, uSimeyon wayithabatha yaba ngumfazi, kwaye inani lamadoda abawathimbayo kodwa abawabulalanga, yayingamadoda angamashumi amane anesixhenxe, kwaye abanye bawabulala.
37 Bonke abafana namantombazana ababebathimbile uSimeyon noLevi emzini wakwaShekem, baba ngabakhonzi boonyana bakaYakobi nabantwana babo emva kwabo, kwada kwaba yimini yokuphuma koonyana bakaYakobi ezweni laseYiputa.
38 Kwaye xa uSimeyon noLevi babephumile esixekweni, amadoda amabini aselula awayesele, awayezifihle esixekweni, kwaye engafanga phakathi kwabantu besixeko, asukuma, kwaye la madoda aselula angena esixekweni aza ahambahamba kuso, aza afumana isixeko singenanto ngaphandle kwamadoda, kwaye ngabafazi kuphela abalilayo, kwaye la madoda aselula akhwaza athi, Yabonani, obu bubi oonyana bakaYakobi umHebhere ababenzayo kwesi sixeko ngokutshabalalisa kwabo esinye sezixeko zamaKanan namhlanje, kwaye babengoyiki ubomi babo kulo lonke ilizwe laseKanan.
39 Baphuma ke aba bantu esixekweni, baya kwisixeko saseTapnaki, baza bafika apho babaxelela abemi baseTapnaki konke okwabehleleyo, nako konke ababekwenzile oonyana bakaYakobi kwisixeko saseShekem.
40 Le ngxelo yafika kuYashubhi ukumkani waseTapnaki, waza wathumela amadoda kwisixeko saseShekem ukuba aye kubona loo madoda aselula, kuba ukumkani wayengakholwanga yile ngxelo, esithi, Amadoda amabini angawuchitha njani umzi omkhulu kangaka njengeShekem?
41 Babuya abathunywa bakaYashubhi, bamxelela, besithi, Sifikile kulo mzi, saza satshatyalaliswa, akukho mntu kuwo, ngabafazi abalilayo kuphela; akukho mpahla emfutshane nankomo apho; ngokuba yonke into eyayikuwo umzi bayithabatha oonyana bakaYakobi.
42 Wamangaliswa uYashubhi yile nto, wathi, Angenza njani amadoda amabini ukuba atshabalalise umzi omkhulu kangaka, kungekho nanye indoda enokuma phambi kwawo?
43 Kuba oku akuzange kwenzeke ukususela ngemihla kaNimrod, kwaye akukho nakwelona xesha lide, kwenzeke oku; kwaye uYashub, ukumkani waseTapnaki, wathi ebantwini bakhe, Yibani nesibindi kwaye siza kuya kulwa nala maHebhere, senze kubo njengoko enzayo kwisixeko, kwaye siya kuziphindezela ngenxa yabantu besixeko.
44 UYashubhi, ukumkani waseTapnaki, wacebisana nabacebisi bakhe ngale nto, baza abacebisi bakhe bathi kuye, Awuyi kuwanqoba amaHebhere wedwa, kuba kufuneka abe namandla okwenza lo msebenzi kulo lonke isixeko.
45 Ukuba ababini kubo batshabalalise isixeko sonke, kungekho mntu ubachasayo, ngokuqinisekileyo ukuba uya kubachasa, bonke baya kusivukela baze basitshabalalise nathi.
46 Kodwa ukuba uya kuthumela kubo bonke ookumkani abasingqongileyo, uze ubavumele bahlangane, siya kuhamba nabo silwe noonyana bakaYakobi; ngoko uya kuboyisa na?
47 Waweva uYashubhi amazwi abacebisi bakhe, amazwi abo alunga kuye nakubantu bakhe, wenjenjalo; uYashubhi ukumkani waseTapenaki wathumela kubo bonke ookumkani bama-Amori ababengqonge iShekem neTapenaki, esithi,
48 Nyuka nam uze undincede, size simbulale uYakobi umHebhere kunye noonyana bakhe bonke, size sibatshabalalise emhlabeni, kuba wenza njalo kwisixeko saseShekem, kwaye aniyazi loo nto?
49 Bonke ookumkani bama-Amori beva ububi obabenziwe ngoonyana bakaYakobi kwisixeko saseShekem, baza bamangaliswa kakhulu ngabo.
50 Ookumkani abasixhenxe bama-Amori bahlanganisana kunye nayo yonke imikhosi yabo, malunga neshumi lamawaka lamadoda aphethe iikrele, beza kulwa noonyana bakaYakobi; weva uYakobi ukuba ookumkani bama-Amori bahlanganisene ukuze balwe noonyana bakhe, uYakobi woyika kakhulu, kwaza kwamkhathaza.
51 UYakobi wakhwaza egxeka uSimeyon noLevi, esithi: “Yintoni le niyenzileyo? Kutheni nindenzakalise kangaka, ngokundizisela bonke abantwana baseKanan, ukuze banditshabalalise mna nendlu yam? Kuba bendiphumle, mna nendlu yam, kodwa nindenzele le nto, nabangela ukuba abemi beli lizwe bandichase ngezenzo zenu.”
52 UYuda wamphendula uyise, wathi, Ngaba abazalwana bam uSimeyon noLevi bababulele ngelize bonke abemi baseShekem? Ngokuqinisekileyo kungenxa yokuba uShekem wamthoba udadewethu, waza waphula umyalelo kaThixo wethu kuNowa nakubantwana bakhe, kuba uShekem wamthabatha udadewethu ngenkani, waza wakrexeza naye.
53 UShekem wenza konke oku kubi, akukho namnye kubemi bomzi wakhe owamphazamisayo, esithi, Kutheni na usenza oku? Ngokuqinisekileyo ngenxa yoku abazalwana bam baya bawuhlasela umzi, waza uYehova wawunikela ezandleni zabo, kuba abemi bawo bawaphule imiyalelo kaThixo wethu. Ngaba ke konke oku bakwenze ngelize?

54 Ngoku kutheni na nisoyika okanye nikhathazekile, kwaye kutheni ningabacaphukisi abazalwana bam, kwaye kutheni umsindo wenu uvutha nxamnye nabo?
55 Inene, uThixo wethu owanikela esandleni sabo umzi wakwaShekem nabantu bawo, uya kubanikela esandleni sethu bonke ookumkani bamaKanan abasihlaselayo, kwaye siya kwenza kubo njengoko abazalwana bam benzayo kuShekem.
56 Ngoku zola malunga nabo uze ulahle kude uloyiko lwakho, kodwa thembela eNkosini uThixo wethu, uze uthandaze kuye ukuba asincede aze asihlangule, aze anikele iintshaba zethu ezandleni zethu.
57 UYuda wabiza omnye wabakhonzi bakayise, wathi, Hambani niye kubona apho bakhoyo abo kumkani, abasihlaselayo, kunye nemikhosi yabo.
58 Waza umkhonzi wahamba waza wajonga kude, wenyuka waya ngakwiNtaba iSihon, wabona onke amaqela ookumkani emi emasimini, waza wabuyela kwaYuda wathi, Khangelani ookumkani bahleli emasimini kunye nawo onke amaqela abo, abantu abaninzi kakhulu, njengentlabathi eselunxwemeni lolwandle.
59 Wathi uYuda kuSimon nakuLevi, nakubazalwana bakhe bonke, Yomelelani, nibe ngabantwana abanobukroti; kuba uYehova uThixo wethu unathi, musani ukuboyika.
60 Yimani madoda onke, enxibe izixhobo zakhe zokulwa, isaphetha sakhe nekrele lakhe, size siye kulwa naba bantu bangalukanga; iNkosi nguThixo wethu, iya kusisindisa.
61 Basuka, banxiba elowo izixhobo zakhe zokulwa, abakhulu nabancinci, oonyana bakaYakobi abalishumi elinanye, nabakhonzi bonke bakaYakobi kunye nabo.
62 Bonke abakhonzi bakaIsake ababekunye noIsake eHebron, beza kubo bexhobile ngeentlobo ngeentlobo zezixhobo zokulwa, oonyana bakaYakobi nabakhonzi babo, amadoda alikhulu elineshumi elinesibini, baya kwaba kumkani, noYakobi wahamba nabo.
63 Oonyana bakaYakobi bathumela kuIsake unyana ka-Abraham uyise eHebron, eyiKiriyati-arbha, besithi,
64 Sithandazele eNkosini uThixo wethu, ukuba asikhusele esandleni samaKanan asihlaselayo, aze awanikele esandleni sethu.
65 UIsake unyana ka-Abraham wathandaza eNkosini ngenxa yoonyana bakhe, wathi, Nkosi Thixo, wathembisa ubawo, wathi, Ndiya kuyandisa imbewu yakho njengeenkwenkwezi zezulu, kwaye wandithembisa, kwaye waqinisekisa ilizwi lakho, ngoku ekubeni ookumkani baseKanan behlangana, ukuze balwe nabantwana bam kuba abazange benze bundlobongela.
66 Ke ngoko, Nkosi Thixo, Thixo womhlaba wonke, nceda uliguqule icebo laba kumkani ukuze bangalwi noonyana bam.
67 Kwaye uzichukumise iintliziyo zaba kumkani nabantu babo ngoloyiko loonyana bam kwaye wehlise ikratshi labo, ukuze baphambuke koonyana bam.
68 Kwaye ngesandla sakho esomeleleyo nangengalo yakho eyoluliweyo bahlangule oonyana bam nabakhonzi babo kubo, kuba amandla namandla asezandleni zakho ukwenza konke oku.
69 Oonyana bakaYakobi nabakhonzi babo baya kwaba kumkani, baza bathembela eNkosini uThixo wabo, kwaye ngelixa babehamba, uYakobi uyise naye wathandaza eNkosini wathi, Nkosi Thixo, uThixo onamandla nophakanyisiweyo, obelawula ukususela kwimihla yakudala, ukususela apho kude kube ngoku nangonaphakade;
70 Nguwe ovusa iimfazwe uze uziphelise, esandleni sakho kukho amandla namandla okuphakamisa nokuwisa; Ngamana umthandazo wam ungamkeleka phambi kwakho ukuba uguqukele kum ngeenceba zakho, ukuze uchukumise iintliziyo zaba kumkani nabantu babo ngoloyiko loonyana bam, kwaye uboyikise bona kunye neenkampu zabo, kwaye ngobubele bakho obukhulu bahlangule bonke abo bathembele kuwe, kuba nguwe onokuzisa abantu phantsi kwethu kwaye unciphise iintlanga phantsi kwamandla ethu.

ISAHLUKO 35

1 Bonke ookumkani bama-Amori beza bema endle ukuze babonisane nabacebisi babo malunga noko kwakuza kwenziwa ngoonyana bakaYakobi, kuba babesaboyika, besithi, Khangelani, ababini kubo babulele lonke isixeko saseShekem.
2 UYehova wayiva imithandazo kaIsake noYakobi, waza wagcwalisa iintliziyo zabo bonke abacebisi bookumkani ngoloyiko olukhulu noloyiko olukhulu kangangokuba batsho ngazwi-nye besithi,
3 Ngaba usisidenge na namhlanje, okanye akukho ngqiqo na kuwe, yokuba uza kulwa namaHebhere, kwaye kutheni uza kuyoliswa kukutshatyalaliswa kwakho namhlanje?
4 Khangelani ababini kubo bafika kwisixeko saseShekem bengoyiki okanye bengoyiki, baza bababulala bonke abemi besixeko, kangangokuba akukho mntu wamelana nabo, kwaye niza kukwazi njani ukulwa nabo bonke?
5 Niyazi kakuhle ukuba uThixo wabo uyabathanda kakhulu, wabenzela izinto ezinkulu, ezingazange zenziwe kwasephakadeni; phakathi koothixo bonke beentlanga, akukho namnye unokwenza imisebenzi yakhe yobugorha efana nayo.
6 Ngokuqinisekileyo wamhlangula uyise uAbraham, umHebhere, esandleni sikaNimrodi, nasesandleni sabo bonke abantu bakhe ababefuna ukumbulala izihlandlo ezininzi.
7 Wamhlangula emlilweni awayewuphoswe ngukumkani uNimrodi, waza uThixo wakhe wamhlangula kuwo.
8 Ngubani omnye onokwenza okufanayo? Ngokuqinisekileyo yayinguAbraham owabulala ookumkani abahlanu bakwa-Elam, xa babechukumise unyana womntakwabo owayehlala eSodom ngaloo mihla.
9 Wathabatha isicaka sakhe esasithembekile endlwini yakhe kunye namadoda ambalwa akhe, baza basukela ookumkani bakwa-Elam ngobusuku obunye baza bababulala, baza babuyisela kunyana womntakwabo yonke impahla yakhe ababeyithabathile kuye.
10 Kwaye ngokuqinisekileyo uyazi ukuba uThixo wala maHebhere uyavuya kakhulu ngawo, kwaye nawo ayavuya ngaye, kuba ayazi ukuba uwahlangule kuzo zonke iintshaba zawo.
11 Kwaye khangelani ngenxa yothando lwakhe kuThixo wakhe, uAbraham wathabatha unyana wakhe okuphela kwakhe noxabisekileyo waza waceba ukumnikela njengomnikelo otshiswayo kuThixo wakhe, kwaye ukuba bekungengenxa kaThixo owamthintelayo ekwenzeni oku,

ngewayekwenzile ngenxa yothando lwakhe kuThixo wakhe.
12 UThixo wayibona yonke imisebenzi yakhe, wafunga kuye, wamthembisa ukuba uya kubahlangula oonyana bakhe nayo yonke imbewu yakhe kuyo yonke inkathazo eyayiza kubafikela, kuba wayenze le nto, kwaye ngenxa yothando lwakhe kuThixo wakhe wayinciphisa imfesane yakhe kumntwana wakhe.
13 Akuvanga na oko uThixo wabo wakwenzayo kuFaro ukumkani waseYiputa, nakuAbhimeleki ukumkani waseGerare, ngokuthabatha umka-Abraham, owathi ngaye, Ngudade wethu, hleze bambulale ngenxa yakhe, bacinge ngokumthabatha abe ngumfazi? UThixo wenza kubo nakubantu babo konke enikuvileyo.
14 Kwaye khangelani, thina ngokwethu sibone ngamehlo ethu ukuba uEsawu, umntakwabo Yakobi, weza kuye enamadoda angamakhulu amane, enenjongo yokumbulala, kuba wakhumbula ukuba wayethabathe kuye intsikelelo kayise.
15 Waya kumhlangabeza xa wayevela eSiriya, ukuze abulale unina nabantwana, kwaye ngubani na owamhlangulayo esandleni sakhe ngaphandle koThixo wakhe awayemthembile? Wamhlangula esandleni somntakwabo nakwizandla zeentshaba zakhe, kwaye ngokuqinisekileyo uya kubakhusela kwakhona.
16 Ngubani na ongaziyo ukuba nguThixo wabo owabanika amandla okwenza ububi enibuvileyo kulo mzi wakwaShekem?
17 Ngaba ke ngoko, ngaba amadoda amabini angatshabalalisa isixeko esikhulu kangaka njengoShekem ukuba bekungengenxa yoThixo wawo awayemthembile? Watsho waza wenza konke oku kubo ukuze abulale abemi besixeko sabo.
18 Kwaye ungaboyisa na ke abo baphume kunye besuka kwisixeko sakho ukuya kulwa nabo bonke, nokuba abanye abangakumbi abaphindwe kaliwaka banokuza kukunceda?
19 Ngokuqinisekileyo niyazi kwaye niyaqonda ukuba anizi kulwa nabo, kodwa niza kulwa noThixo wabo owabakhethayo, kwaye ngenxa yoko nonke nize kutshatyalaliswa namhlanje.
20 Ngoko ke zikhwebuleni kule nto imbi nizama ukuyizisela nina, yaye kuya kuba ngcono ukuba ningalwi nabo, nangona bembalwa ngenani, kuba uThixo wabo unabo.
21 Xa ookumkani bama-Amori beva onke amazwi abacebisi babo, iintliziyo zabo zazaliswa luloyiko, boyika oonyana bakaYakobi, abavuma ukulwa nabo.
22 Bawaphulaphula amazwi abacebisi babo, bawaphulaphula onke amazwi abo; amazwi abacebisi aba mnandi kakhulu kookumkani, baza benza njalo.
23 Ookumkani bajika baza bazibamba oonyana bakaYakobi, kuba babengenakuba nabuganga bokusondela kubo ukuze balwe nabo, kuba babeboyika kakhulu, kwaye iintliziyo zabo zanyibilika ngaphakathi kwabo ngenxa yokuboyika kwabo.
24 Kuba oku kwaphuma kuYehova kubo, kuba wayiva imithandazo yabakhonzi bakhe uIsake noYakobi, kuba babethembele kuye; kwaye bonke aba kumkani babuyela neenkampu zabo ngaloo mini, ngamnye waya kwisixeko sakhe, kwaye abazange balwe noonyana bakaYakobi ngelo xesha.
25 Oonyana bakaYakobi bema ngaloo mini kwada kwahlwa malunga nentaba iSihon, baza babona ukuba ookumkani abezanga kulwa nabo, babuyela emakhaya abo.

ISAHLUKO 36

1 Ngelo xesha uYehova wabonakala kuYakobi, esithi, Suka uye eBheteli, uhlale khona, wenze khona isibingelelo kuYehova obonakeleyo kuwe, owakuhlangulayo wena noonyana bakho ekubandezelweni.
2 Wesuka uYakobi noonyana bakhe, nabo bonke abenabo, bahamba baya eBheteli ngokwelizwi likaYehova.
3 UYakobi wayeneminyaka engamashumi asithoba anesithoba ubudala xa wenyuka waya eBheteli, waza uYakobi noonyana bakhe nabo bonke abantu ababenaye bahlala eBheteli eLuzi. Wakha khona isibingelelo kuYehova owayebonakala kuye, waza uYakobi noonyana bakhe bahlala eBheteli iinyanga ezintandathu.
4 Wafa ngelo xesha uDebhora, intombi kaUtse, umondli kaRebheka, owayenoYakobi, uYakobi wamngcwaba phantsi kweBheteli, phantsi kom-oki owawulapho.
5 NoRebheka, intombi kaBhetuweli, unina kaYakobi, wafa ngelo xesha eHebron, oko kukuthi, eKireyati-arba, wangcwatyelwa emqolombeni waseMakapela, awawuthengayo uAbraham koonyana bakaHeti.
6 URebheka waphila iminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amathathu anesithathu, wafa. Akuva uYakobi ukuba uRebheka unina ufile, walila kabuhlungu unina, wenza isijwili esikhulu ngaye, noDebhora, umondli wakhe, phantsi kom-oki; wathi igama laloo ndawo yiAlon-bakuti.
7 Wafa ke uLabhan umSiriya ngaloo mihla, kuba uThixo wambetha ngenxa yokuwaphula umnqophiso owawuphakathi kwakhe noYakobi.
8 UYakobi wayeneminyaka elikhulu ubudala xa uYehova wabonakala kuye, wamsikelela, wamthiya igama elinguSirayeli. URakeli, umfazi kaYakobi, wamitha ngaloo mihla.
9 Ngaloo mini uYakobi wanduluka eBheteli, waya endlwini kayise, eHebron.
10 Kwathi besahamba ngendlela, kusele umgama omncinci ukuba bafike e-Efrata, uRakeli wazala unyana, waza wazala nzima, wafa.
11 UYakobi wamngcwaba endleleni eya e-Efrata, eyiBhetelehem, wamisa intsika engcwabeni lakhe, esekho nanamhla; imihla kaRakeli yaba yiminyaka engamashumi amane anesihlanu, wafa.
12 UYakobi wamthiya igama unyana wakhe awamzalelwayo, awamzalelwa nguRakeli, igama elithi Benjamin, kuba wazalelwa ezweni elingasekunene.
13 Emva kokufa kukaRakeli, uYakobi wamisa intente yakhe ententeni yesicakakazi sakhe uBhiliha.
14 URubhen waba nomona ngoLeya unina ngenxa yeso sizathu, waza wavutha ngumsindo, wesuka enomsindo, waya ententeni kaBhiliha, wasusa umandlalo kayise apho.
15 Ngelo xesha isabelo sobuzibulo, kunye nezikhundla zobukumkani nezobubingeleli, sasuswa koonyana bakaRubhen, kuba wayengcolise umandlalo kayise, kwaye ilungelo lobuzibulo lanikwa uYosefu, isikhundla sobukhosi kuYuda, nobubingeleli kuLevi, kuba uRubhen wayengcolise umandlalo kayise.

16 Le yimbali kaYakobi awazalelwa ePadan-aram. Oonyana bakaYakobi babelishumi elinesibini.
17 Oonyana bakaLeya yayinguRubhen, izibulo, noSimon, noLevi, noYuda, noIsakare, noZebhulon, noDina, udade wabo; oonyana bakaRakeli yayinguYosefu noBhenjamin.
18 Oonyana bakaZilipa, umkhonzazana kaLeya, nguGadi noAshere; oonyana bakaBhiliha, umkhonzazana kaRakeli, nguDan noNafetali; ngabo abo oonyana bakaYakobi awabazalelwa ePadan-aram.
19 Wanduluka uYakobi, noonyana bakhe, nabo bonke ababenaye, bafika eMamre, eyiKiriyati-arba, eseHebron, apho uAbraham noIsake babehlala khona, uYakobi, noonyana bakhe, nabo bonke ababenaye, bahlala noyise eHebron.
20 Waya uEsawu umntakwabo, noonyana bakhe, nabo bonke ababenaye, ezweni laseSehire, bahlala khona, baba nelifa ezweni laseSehire; oonyana bakaEsawu banda, banda kakhulu ezweni laseSehire.
21 Le yimbali kaEsawu awazalelwa yona ezweni lakwaKanan; oonyana bakaEsawu babebahlanu.
22 UAda wamzalela uEsawu amazibulo akhe uElifazi, naye wamzalela uRehuweli; uAhibhama wamzalela uYehushe, noYalam, noKora.
23 Ngabo aba oonyana bakaEsawu awabazalelwayo ezweni lakwaKanan: oonyana bakaElifazi, unyana kaEsawu, nguTeman, no-Omar, noTsefo, noGatam, noKenazi, noAmaleki; oonyana bakaRehuweli nguNakati, noZera, noShama, noMiza.
24 Oonyana bakaYewushe yayinguTimna, uAlva, noYetete; oonyana bakaYalam yayinguAla, uFinor noKenazi.
25 Oonyana bakaKora yayinguTeman, uMibitsare, uMagidiyeli noEram; ezi zizizwe zoonyana bakaEsawu ngokweenkokheli zabo ezweni lakwaSehire.
26 Ngawo la amagama oonyana bakaSehire umHori, abemi belizwe lakwaSehire: uLotan, uShobhali, uTsibheyon, uAna, uDishan, uEtsere, noDishon, oonyana abasixhenxe.
27 Oonyana bakaLotan yayinguHori, uHeman, noTimna udade wabo, uTimna, owaya kuYakobi noonyana bakhe, kodwa abazange bamphulaphule, waza waya kuba ngumfazi kaElifazi unyana kaEsawu, owamzalela uAmaleki.
28 Oonyana bakaShobhali yayinguAlvan, uManahati, uEbhali, uShefo, no-Onam, oonyana bakaTsibheyon yayinguAya, noAna, lo nguAna owafumana amaYemi entlango xa wayesalusa amaesile kaTsibheyon uyise.
29 Kwaye ngelixa wayesalusa iimazi zikayise, wazikhokelela entlango ngamaxesha ahlukeneyo ukuze azinike ukutya.
30 Kwathi ngenye imini wabazisa kwenye yeentlango elunxwemeni lolwandle, malunga nentlango yabantu, kwaye ngelixa wayebapha ukutya, kwavela isivuthuvuthu esikhulu sivela kwelinye icala lolwandle saza sahlala phezu kweemazi zeenkomo ezazisidla apho, kwaye zonke zema.
31 Emva koko izilwanyana ezinkulu nezimbi ezimalunga nekhulu elinamashumi amabini zaphuma entlango kwelinye icala lolwandle, zaza zonke zafika kwindawo apho kwakukho khona iimazi zamaesile, zaza zahlala apho.
32 Kwaye ezo zilwanyana, ukusuka embindini wazo ukuya ezantsi, zazifana nabantwana babantu, kwaye ukusuka embindini wazo ukuya phezulu, ezinye zazifana neebhere, kwaye ezinye zazifana neengqwayi, zinemisila emva kwazo ukusuka phakathi kwamagxa azo ukuya ezantsi emhlabeni, njengemisila ye-ducheefat, kwaye ezi zilwanyana zeza zakhwela zaza zakhwela kula maesile, zawakhokela, zaza zahamba kude kube namhla.
33 Esinye sezi zilwanyana sasondela kuAna saza sambetha ngomsila, saza sabaleka kuloo ndawo.
34 Waza akubona lo msebenzi woyika kakhulu ubomi bakhe, waza wabaleka wabalekela esixekweni.
35 Waxelela oonyana bakhe nabantakwabo konke okwamehlelayo, amadoda amaninzi aya kufuna iimazi zamaesile, kodwa akazifumananga, uAna nabazalwana bakhe abazange baphinde baye kuloo ndawo ukususela ngaloo mini ilandelayo, kuba babesoyika kakhulu ubomi babo.
36 Oonyana baka-Ana unyana kaSehire yayinguDishon nodadewabo uAlibhama, oonyana bakaDishon yayinguHemdan, noEshbhan, noItran, noKeran, oonyana bakaEtsere yayinguBhilehan, noZavan, noAkan, oonyana bakaDishon yayingu-Utse noAran.
37 Zizo ezo iintsapho zoonyana bakaSehire, umHori, ngokweenkokheli zabo ezweni lakwaSehire.
38 UEsawu noonyana bakhe bahlala ezweni lakwaSehire, umHori, abemi belo zwe; baba nelifa kulo, baqhama, banda kakhulu; uYakobi noonyana bakhe, nabo bonke ababanabo, bahlala noIsake uyise ezweni lakwaKanan, njengoko uYehova wayemwisele umthetho uAbraham uyise.

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1 Kwaye kunyaka wekhulu elinesihlanu wobomi bukaYakobi, oko kukuthi unyaka wesithoba wokuhlala kukaYakobi nabantwana bakhe kwilizwe lakwaKanan, wafika evela ePadan-aram.
2 Ngaloo mihla uYakobi wahamba nabantwana bakhe besuka eHebron, bahamba babuyela kwisixeko saseShekem, bona nabo bonke ababakhe, bahlala apho, kuba oonyana bakaYakobi bafumana amadlelo amahle natyebileyo eenkomo zabo kwisixeko saseShekem, isixeko saseShekem esasisele sakhiwe kwakhona, kwaye kwakukho amadoda nabafazi abamalunga namakhulu amathathu.
3 UYakobi nabantwana bakhe, nabo bonke ababenaye, bahlala kwinxalenye yentsimi awayeyithenge uYakobi kuHamore uyise kaShekem, ekufikeni kwakhe evela ePadan-aram, ngaphambi kokuba uSimeyon noLevi bawuhlasele loo mzi.
4 Bonke ookumkani bamaKanan nama-Amori ababejikeleze isixeko saseShekem, beva ukuba oonyana bakaYakobi babuye bafika eShekem, bahlala khona.
5 Bathi, Ngaba oonyana bakaYakobi umHebhere baya kuphinda beze kwesi sixeko baze bahlale kuso, emva kokuba bebabulele abemi baso, babagxothe? Ngaba baya kubuya baze babagxothe abo bahlala kuso okanye bababulale?
6 Babuya bahlanganisana bonke ookumkani baseKanan, bahlanganisana, balwa noYakobi noonyana bakhe.
7 UYashubhi ukumkani waseTapnaki wathumela nakubo bonke ookumkani ababemngqongile, kuElan ukumkani waseGahashe, nakuIhuri ukumkani waseShilo, nakuParaton ukumkani waseHazare, nakuSusi ukumkani

waseSarton, nakuLabhan ukumkani waseBhete-koran, nakuShabhiri ukumkani waseOtenima, esithi,
8 Yizani kum nindincede, simbulale uYakobi umHebhere noonyana bakhe, nabo bonke abanabo, kuba babuyele eShekem ukuze balihluthe, baze bababulale abemi balo njengangaphambili.
9 Bonke abo kumkani bahlanganisana, beza neenkampu zabo zonke, abantu abaninzi njengentlabathi eselunxwemeni lolwandle, kwaye bonke babephambi kweTapenaki.
10 Waphuma uYashubhi ukumkani waseTapnaki, yena nempi yakhe yonke, wamisa iintente zabo malunga neTapnaki ngaphandle komzi; bonke abo kumkani babahlulahlula baba ngamaqela asixhenxe, amaqela asixhenxe emelene noonyana bakaYakobi.
11 Bathumela umyalezo kuYakobi nakunyana wakhe, besithi, Phumani nonke nize kuthi, ukuze sincokole ethafeni, siphindezele ityala lamadoda akwaShekem enawabulala emzini wawo, nize nibuyele emzini wakwaShekem, nihlale kuwo, nibabulale abemi bawo njengangaphambili.
12 Bakuva oku oonyana bakaYakobi, baza umsindo wabo wavutha kakhulu ngamazwi ookumkani baseKanan, baza oonyana bakaYakobi abalishumi bakhawuleza basukuma, ngamnye wabo wanxiba izixhobo zakhe zemfazwe; kwaye kwakukho ikhulu elinamabini labakhonzi babo kunye nabo bexhobile bexhobile.
13 Bonke aba bantu, oonyana bakaYakobi kunye nabakhonzi babo, baya kwaba kumkani, noYakobi uyise wayenabo, baza bonke bema phezu kwemfumba yaseShekem.
14 UYakobi wathandaza eNkosini ngenxa yoonyana bakhe, waza wolula izandla zakhe eNkosini, wathi, Owu Thixo, unguThixo uSomandla, ungubawo wethu, wasidala kwaye thina singumsebenzi wezandla zakho; ndiyakubongoza ukuba ukhulule oonyana bam ngenceba yakho esandleni seentshaba zabo, eziza kulwa nabo namhlanje kwaye uzisindise esandleni sabo, kuba esandleni sakho kukho amandla nobugorha, ukusindisa abambalwa kwabaninzi.
15 Kwaye unike oonyana bam, abakhonzi bakho, amandla entliziyo nobugorha bokulwa neentshaba zabo, ukuze boyise, kwaye wenze iintshaba zabo ziwe phambi kwabo, kwaye mabangabulawa oonyana bam nabakhonzi babo ngezandla zabantwana baseKanan.
16 Kodwa ukuba kuthe kwalunga emehlweni akho ukubabulala oonyana bam nabakhonzi babo, bathabathe ngenceba yakho enkulu ngesandla sabakhonzi bakho, ukuze bangatshabalali namhla ngesandla sookumkani bama-Amori.
17 Akuba uYakobi egqibile ukuthandaza kuYehova, umhlaba washukuma endaweni yawo, nelanga laba mnyama, bonke ookumkani boyika, babanjwa luloyiko olukhulu.
18 Kwaye iNkosi yawuphulaphula umthandazo kaYakobi, kwaye iNkosi yachukumisa iintliziyo zabo bonke ookumkani kunye nemikhosi yabo ngoloyiko noloyiko loonyana bakaYakobi.
19 Kuba uYehova wababangela ukuba beve isandi seenqwelo zokulwa, nesandi samahashe anamandla avela koonyana bakaYakobi, nesandi somkhosi omkhulu ohamba nabo.
20 Aba kumkani boyika kakhulu oonyana bakaYakobi, baza bakuba bemi kwiindawo zabo zokuhlala, oonyana bakaYakobi babahlasela, benamadoda alikhulu elineshumi elinesibini, bekhwaza kakhulu.
21 Xa ookumkani bababona oonyana bakaYakobi besiza kubo, boyika ngakumbi, baza bathambekela ekubenileka phambi koonyana bakaYakobi njengakuqala, bangalwi nabo.
22 Kodwa abazange barhoxe, besithi, Kuya kuba sisihlazo kuthi ukuba sibaleke kabini ngolu hlobo phambi kwamaHebhere.
23 Basondela oonyana bakaYakobi baza basondela nxamnye nabo bonke aba kumkani nemikhosi yabo, baza babona, kwaye khangela, yayingabantu abanamandla kakhulu, abaninzi njengentlabathi yolwandle.
24 Oonyana bakaYakobi babiza kuYehova, bathi, Sincede, Nkosi, sincede, usiphendule, kuba sithembele kuwe, masingafi ngezandla zala madoda angalukanga, asihlaseleyo namhlanje.
25 Oonyana bakaYakobi babhinqa izixhobo zabo zemfazwe, ngamnye wathabatha ikhaka lakhe nentshuntshe yakhe, baza basondela edabini.
26 UYuda, unyana kaYakobi, wabaleka kuqala phambi kwabazalwana bakhe, kunye nabakhonzi bakhe abalishumi kunye naye, waza waya kwaba kumkani.
27 UYashubhi, ukumkani waseTapnaki, naye waphuma kuqala nomkhosi wakhe phambi koYuda, uYuda wambona uYashubhi nomkhosi wakhe besiza kuye, wavutha umsindo kaYuda, wavutha umsindo wakhe ngaphakathi kuye, wasondela edabini apho uYuda wayezibeka ubomi bakhe esichengeni khona.
28 UYashubhi nomkhosi wakhe wonke babesondela kwaYuda, ekhwele ihashe elinamandla kakhulu nelinamandla, kwaye uYashubhi wayeyindoda enesibindi kakhulu, egqunywe ngentsimbi nobhedu ukusuka entloko ukuya ezinyaweni.
29 Kwaye ngelixa wayekhwele ihashe, wayedubula iintolo ngezandla zombini ngaphambili nangasemva, njengoko kwakunjalo kwimilo yakhe yonke, kwaye akazange ayiphose indawo awayejolise kuyo iintolo zakhe.
30 Xa uYashubhi weza kulwa noYuda, waza wadubula iintolo ezininzi nxamnye noYuda, uYehova wambopha isandla sikaYashubhi, kwaye zonke iintolo awayezidubule zabuyela kumadoda akhe.
31 Nangona kunjalo, uYashubhi waqhubeka esondela kuYuda, ukuze amjonge ngeentolo, kodwa umgama phakathi kwazo wawumalunga neekubhite ezingamashumi amathathu, waza uYuda wabona uYashubhi ephosa iintolo zakhe kuye, wabaleka waya kuye ngamandla akhe anomsindo.
32 UYuda wathabatha ilitye elikhulu emhlabeni, ubunzima balo babuziishekele ezingamashumi amathandathu, wabaleka waya kuYashubhi, waza ilitye lambethela ikhaka lakhe, kangangokuba uYashubhi wothuka kakhulu, wawa ehasheni lakhe wawa emhlabeni.
33 Ikhaka laqhekeka esandleni sikaYashubhi, laza ngamandla alo mkhosi ladlula laya kumgama omalunga neekubhite ezilishumi elinesihlanu, laza ikhaka lawela phambi kweqela lesibini.

34 Ookumkani ababeze noYashubhi bawabona kude amandla kaYuda, unyana kaYakobi, noko wayekwenzile kuYashubhi, baza boyika kakhulu uYuda.
35 Bahlanganisana kufuphi nenkampu kaYashubhi, bebona isiphithiphithi sakhe, uYuda warhola ikrele lakhe, wabulala amadoda angamashumi amane anesibini enkampu kaYashubhi, kwaye yonke inkampu kaYashubhi yasaba phambi kukaYuda, kwaye akukho mntu wema nxamnye naye, bamshiya uYashubhi baza basaba kuye, kwaye uYashubhi wayesalele phantsi.
36 Uthe uYashubhi akubona ukuba onke amadoda empi yakhe abalekile kuye, wakhawuleza wesuka engcangcazela kuYuda, wema ngeenyawo zakhe malunga noYuda.
37 UYashubhi walwa noYuda, wabeka ikhaka ekhayeni, baza bonke abantu bakaYashubhi babaleka, kuba babesoyika kakhulu uYuda.
38 UYashubhi wathabatha umkhonto wakhe ngesandla ukuze ambethe uYuda entloko, kodwa uYuda wakhawuleza wabeka ikhaka lakhe entlokweni yakhe kumkhonto kaYashubhi, kangangokuba ikhaka likaYuda lafumana umkhonto kaYashubhi, nekhaka laqhekeka.
39 Uthe uYuda akubona ukuba ikhaka lakhe liqhekekile, wakhawuleza warhola ikrele lakhe, wabetha uYashubhi emaqatheni akhe, wamnqumla iinyawo, uYashubhi wawa emhlabeni, wawa umkhonto esandleni sakhe.
40 UYuda wakhawuleza wathabatha umkhonto kaYashubhi, wawunqumla intloko yakhe, wawuphosa ecaleni kweenyawo zakhe.
41 Bakubona oonyana bakaYakobi oko uYuda akwenzileyo kuYashubhi, babaleka bonke baya kuluhlu lwabanye ookumkani; oonyana bakaYakobi balwa nomkhosi kaYashubhi, nemikhosi yabo bonke ookumkani ababelapho.
42 Oonyana bakaYakobi babulala amadoda abo alishumi elinesihlanu lamawaka, baza bawaxabela ngokungathi baxabela imithi, baza abanye babaleka ukuze basindise ubomi babo.
43 UYuda wayesemi ecaleni kwesidumbu sikaYashubhi, wamhluba uYashubhi ingubo yakhe yentsimbi.
44 UYuda wathabatha isinyithi nobhedu olwalujikeleze uYashubhi, kwaza kwafika amadoda alithoba kwiinkokheli zikaYashubhi, eza kulwa noYuda.
45 UJuda wakhawuleza wathabatha ilitye emhlabeni, walibetha entloko elinye lawo, laphuka ukhakhayi, nesidumbu sawela emhlabeni ehasheni.
46 Iintloko ezisibhozo ezazisele, zibona amandla kaYuda, zoyika kakhulu, zaza zasaba; uYuda namadoda akhe alishumi bawasukela, bawafumana, bawabulala.
47 Kwaye oonyana bakaYakobi babesawuxabela umkhosi wookumkani, baza babulala abaninzi babo, kodwa abo kumkani bahlala bemi ngenkalipho kunye neenkokheli zabo, kwaye abazange barhoxe kwiindawo zabo, kwaye bakhwaza ngokuchasene nabo bemikhosi yabo ababaleke phambi koonyana bakaYakobi, kodwa akukho namnye owabaphulaphulayo, kuba babesoyika ubomi babo hleze bafe.
48 Bonke oonyana bakaYakobi, emva kokuba beyitshabalalisile imikhosi yookumkani, babuya baza beza phambi koYuda, kwaye uYuda wayesabulala iinkokheli ezisibhozo zikaYashubhi, kwaye ekhulula iingubo zabo.
49 ULevi wambona uElon, ukumkani waseGahashe, esiza kuye, kunye neenkokheli zakhe ezilishumi elinesine ukuze zimxabele, kodwa uLevi wayengazi ngokuqinisekileyo.
50 UElon kunye neenkokheli zakhe basondela, waza uLevi wajonga ngasemva wabona ukuba idabi liza kuhlaselwa ngasemva, waza uLevi wabaleka kunye nabakhonzi bakhe abalishumi elinesibini, baza baya kubulala uElon kunye neenkokheli zakhe ngohlangothi lwekrele.

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1 Kwaye uIhuri ukumkani waseShilo weza kunceda uElon, waza wasondela kuYakobi, xa uYakobi watsala isaphetha sakhe esasisesandleni sakhe waza ngotolo wabetha uIhuri owabangela ukuba afe.
2 Akuba uIhuri ukumkani waseShilo efile, ookumkani abane abaseleyo basaba kwindawo yabo kunye nabanye abaphathi, baza bazama ukubuyela umva, besithi, Asinawo amandla angakumbi kumaHebhere emva kokuba ebulele ookumkani abathathu kunye neenkokheli zabo ezazinamandla kunathi.
3 Bathi oonyana bakaYakobi bakubona ukuba ookumkani abaseleyo basukile kwizikhundla zabo, babasukela, noYakobi weza evela emfumbeni yaseShekem kwindawo awayemi kuyo, baza babalandela ookumkani, baza basondela kubo kunye nabakhonzi babo.
4 Ookumkani neenkokheli kunye neminye imikhosi yabo, bebona ukuba oonyana bakaYakobi basondela kubo, boyika ubomi babo, basaba bada bafika kwisixeko saseHazare.
5 Oonyana bakaYakobi babasukela ukuya esangweni lesixeko saseHazare, baza babulala ookumkani nemikhosi yabo, malunga namawaka amane amadoda, kwaye ngelixa babebulala umkhosi wookumkani, uYakobi wayephethe isaphetha sakhe ezama ukubulala ookumkani, waza wababulala bonke.
6 Wabulala uParaton ukumkani waseHazare esangweni lesixeko saseHazare, waza emva koko wabulala uSusi ukumkani waseSarton, noLabhan ukumkani waseBhete-khorin, noShabhir ukumkani waseMakenayma, waza wababulala bonke ngeentolo, utolo kuye ngamnye wabo, baza bafa.
7 Oonyana bakaYakobi bakubona ukuba bonke ookumkani bafile, nokuba baqhekekile, babuyela umva, baqhubeka nokulwa nemikhosi yookumkani malunga nesango laseHazare, babulala amadoda amalunga namakhulu amane.
8 Kwawa amadoda amathathu kubakhonzi bakaYakobi kuloo mfazwe, waza uYuda wabona ukuba abakhonzi bakhe abathathu bafile, waba buhlungu kakhulu, wavutha umsindo wakhe ngakuma-Amori.
9 Kwaye onke amadoda aseleyo kwimikhosi yookumkani ayoyika kakhulu ubomi bawo, aza abaleka aza aphula isango leendonga zesixeko saseHazare, aza onke angena esixekweni ukuze akhuseleke.
10 Bazimela phakathi kwesixeko saseKhazare, kuba isixeko saseKhazare sasisikhulu kakhulu kwaye sibanzi, kwaye xa yonke le mikhosi ingenile esixekweni, oonyana bakaYakobi babaleka emva kwabo ukuya esixekweni.
11 Aphuma kuloo mzi amadoda amane anamandla, aqhele ukulwa, ema ngasemnyango wesixeko, ephethe amakrele

neengcula ezirhuqiweyo, azimisa phambi koonyana bakaYakobi, akabavumela ukuba bangene kuloo mzi.
12 UNafetali wabaleka waza wafika phakathi kwabo, waza ngekrele lakhe wabaxabela ababini kubo, wabanqumla iintloko ngaxeshanye.
13 Waza wajika waya kwabanye ababini, khangela babalekile, waza wabasukela, wabafumana, wabaxabela waza wababulala.
14 Bafika oonyana bakaYakobi esixekweni, babona, kwaye khangela, kukho olunye udonga olujikeleze isixeko, baza bafuna isango lodonga kodwa abalifumananga, waza uYuda watsiba phezu kodonga, waza uSimeyon noLevi bamlandela, baza bonke bobathathu behla besuka eludongeni bangena esixekweni.
15 USimeyon noLevi babulala onke amadoda abalekela esixekweni ukuze akhuseleke, kwanabemi besixeko kunye nabafazi babo nabantwana babo, bababulala ngohlangothi lwekrele, kwaye izikhalo zesixeko zenyuka zaya ezulwini.
16 UDan noNafetali batsiba eludongeni ukuze babone ukuba yintoni ebangela isandi sokulila, kuba oonyana bakaYakobi babexhalabile ngabazalwana babo, baza beva abemi besixeko bethetha ngokulila nangokubongoza, besithi, Thabathani konke esinako esixekweni nihambe, kodwa ningasibulali.
17 Xa uYuda, uSimeyon, noLevi babegqibile ukubulala abemi besixeko, banyuka udonga baza babiza uDan noNafetali, ababeseludongeni, kunye nabanye abazalwana babo, uSimeyon noLevi babazisa ngesango lokungena esixekweni, baza bonke oonyana bakaYakobi beza kuthabatha amaxhoba.
18 Oonyana bakaYakobi bathabatha amaxhoba omzi waseHazare, nempahla emfutshane, neenkomo, nempahla, bathabatha konke okwakunokuthathwa, bemka ngaloo mini kuloo mzi.
19 Ngengomso oonyana bakaYakobi baya eSarton, kuba beva ukuba amadoda aseSarton awayesele esixekweni ayehlanganisene ukuze alwe nawo ngenxa yokubulala ukumkani wawo, kwaye iSarton yayisisixeko esiphakamileyo nesinqatyisiweyo, kwaye yayinodonga olunzulu olujikeleze isixeko.
20 Intsika yodonga yayimalunga neekubhite ezingamashumi amahlanu nobubanzi bayo obuziikubhite ezingamashumi amane, kwaye kwakungekho ndawo yokuba umntu angene esixekweni ngenxa yodonga, oonyana bakaYakobi balubona udonga lwesixeko, baza bafuna indlela yokungena kulo kodwa abalufumananga.
21 Kuba isango lokungena esixekweni lalingasemva, kwaye wonke umntu owayefuna ukungena esixekweni wayefika ngaloo ndlela aze ajikeleze isixeko sonke, waza emva koko wangena esixekweni.
22 Oonyana bakaYakobi bakubona ukuba abayifumani indlela yokungena kuloo mzi, bavutha ngumsindo omkhulu; abemi bomzi, bebona ukuba oonyana bakaYakobi beze kubo, boyika kakhulu, kuba babevile ngamandla abo nento ababeyenzile kuHazare.
23 Abemi besixeko saseSarton babengenakukwazi ukuphuma baye koonyana bakaYakobi emva kokuba behlanganisene esixekweni ukuze balwe nabo, hleze bangene kweso sixeko, kodwa bakubona ukuba babesiza kubo, boyika kakhulu, kuba babevile ngamandla abo noko babekwenzile kuHazare.
24 Abemi baseSarton bakhawuleza bayisusa ibhulorho yendlela yesixeko, endaweni yayo, ngaphambi kokuba oonyana bakaYakobi bafike, baza bayizisa esixekweni.
25 Bafika oonyana bakaYakobi, bafuna indlela yokungena kwisixeko, kodwa abayifumana; abemi besixeko benyuka baya phezulu eludongeni, babona, kwaye oonyana bakaYakobi babefuna indlela yokungena kwisixeko.
26 Abemi bomzi babangcikiva oonyana bakaYakobi bephezulu eludongeni, babaqalekisa, baza oonyana bakaYakobi beva izigculelo, bavutha ngumsindo, nomsindo wabo wavutha ngaphakathi kwabo.
27 Oonyana bakaYakobi babacaphukela, baza bonke besuka baza batsiba phezu kodonga ngamandla abo onke, baza ngamandla abo badlula ububanzi beekubhite ezingamashumi amane zodonga.
28 Bathi bakudlula eludongeni bema phantsi kodonga lwesixeko, baza bafumana onke amasango esixeko evalwe ngeengcango zentsimbi.
29 Oonyana bakaYakobi basondela ukuze bavule iingcango zamasango esixeko, kodwa abemi balapho abazange babavumele, kuba babephosa amatye neentolo phezu kwabo besuka phezulu eludongeni.
30 Inani labantu ababeseludongeni lalimalunga namakhulu amane amadoda, yaye xa oonyana bakaYakobi babona ukuba amadoda esixeko awabavumeli ukuba bavule amasango esixeko, batsiba baza banyuka phezulu eludongeni, waza uYuda wenyuka kuqala waya kwicala lasempuma lesixeko.
31 UGadi noAshere benyuka emva kwakhe baya kwikona engasentshona yesixeko, uSimon noLevi bengasentla, uDan noRubhen bengasemzantsi.
32 Athi amadoda awayephezu kodonga, abemi bomzi, akubona ukuba oonyana bakaYakobi benyuka besiza kubo, abaleka onke eludongeni, ehla angena esixekweni, azimela phakathi komzi.
33 UIsakare noNafetali ababesele phantsi kodonga basondela baza bawaphula amasango esixeko, batshisa umlilo emasangweni esixeko, kangangokuba isinyithi sanyibilika, baza bonke oonyana bakaYakobi bangena esixekweni, bona kunye namadoda abo onke, balwa nabemi besixeko saseSarton, bababulala ngohlangothi lwekrele, akwabakho mntu wema phambi kwabo.
34 Amadoda amalunga namakhulu amabini abaleka esixekweni, aza onke aya kuzimela enqabeni ethile esixekweni, uYuda wawasukela waya enqabeni, waza wayidiliza inqaba eyawela phezu kwamadoda lawo, afa onke.
35 Oonyana bakaYakobi benyuka ngendlela eya eluphahleni lwaloo nqaba, babona, nanko kukho enye inqaba eyomeleleyo nephakamileyo kude kwisixeko, nencopho yayo ifikelela ezulwini, oonyana bakaYakobi bakhawuleza behla, baya namadoda abo onke kuloo nqaba, baza bayifumana izele ngamadoda amalunga namakhulu amathathu, abafazi nabantwana.
36 Oonyana bakaYakobi babulala amadoda awayesenqabeni enkulu, baza babaleka basaba phambi kwawo.
37 USimeyon noLevi babasukela, xa amadoda alishumi elinesibini anamandla nanobukroti aphuma kwindawo ababezifihle kuyo.

38 Kwaye loo madoda alishumi elinesibini alwa idabi elinamandla noSimeyon noLevi, kwaye uSimeyon noLevi abazange bakwazi ukuboyisa, kwaye loo madoda anamandla aphula iikhaka zikaSimeyon noLevi, kwaye omnye wabo wamxabela entlokweni kaLevi ngekrele lakhe, xa uLevi wabeka isandla sakhe entlokweni yakhe ngokukhawuleza, kuba wayesoyika ikrele, kwaye ikrele labetha esandleni sikaLevi, kwaye lalifuna nje ukuba isandla sikaLevi sinqunyulwe.
39 ULevi wathabatha ikrele lendoda enamandla esandleni sakhe, walithabatha ngenkani kuloo ndoda, waza ngalo wabetha entlokweni yendoda enamandla, wayinqumla intloko.
40 Amadoda alishumi elinanye asondela ukulwa noLevi, kuba abona ukuba omnye wabo ubulewe, kwaye oonyana bakaYakobi balwa, kodwa oonyana bakaYakobi babengenakuboyisa, kuba abo madoda babenamandla kakhulu.
41 Bakubona oonyana bakaYakobi ukuba abanakubanqoba, uSimeyon wakhala kakhulu, amadoda alishumi elinanye anamandla othuka kakhulu ngenxa yelizwi likaSimeyon lokulila.
42 UYuda wayelazi kude ilizwi lokukhwaza kukaSimeyon, waza uNafetali noYuda babaleka neengweletshetshe zabo baya kuSimeyon noLevi, baza babafumana besilwa naloo madoda anamandla, bengenakuboyisa njengoko iingweletshetshe zabo zazaphukile.
43 UNafetali wabona ukuba iingweletshetshe zikaSimeyon noLevi zaphukile, waza wathabatha iingweletshetshe ezimbini kubakhonzi bakhe, wazizisa kuSimeyon noLevi.
44 USimeyon, uLevi noYuda ngaloo mini balwa bobathathu belwa namadoda anamandla alishumi elinanye kwada kwatshona ilanga, kodwa abazange bakwazi ukuboyisa.
45 Waxelelwa uYakobi oku, waba buhlungu kakhulu, wathandaza eNkosini, waza yena noNafetali unyana wakhe baya kulwa nala madoda anamandla.
46 Wasondela uYakobi, warhola isaphetha sakhe, wasondela kumadoda anamandla, wabulala amadoda amathathu awo ngesaphetha, baza abasibhozo abaseleyo bajika umva, baza babona imfazwe isiya kubo ngaphambili nangasemva, baza boyika kakhulu ubomi babo, baza ababa nako ukumelana noonyana bakaYakobi, baza basaba phambi kwabo.
47 Bathi ekubalekeni kwabo bahlangana noDan noAshere besiza ngakubo, baza ngequbuliso babahlasela, balwa nabo, babulala ababini kubo, uYuda nabazalwana bakhe babasukela, babulala abaseleyo babo, bababulala.
48 Bonke oonyana bakaYakobi babuya baza bajikeleza isixeko, befuna ukuba bangafumana na amadoda, baza bafumana amadoda amalunga namashumi amabini emqolombeni esixekweni, uGadi noAshere bababulala bonke, uDan noNafetali bafika kumadoda aseleyo awayebalekile kwaye ebalekile kwinqaba yesibini, baza bababulala bonke.
49 Oonyana bakaYakobi bababulala bonke abemi besixeko saseSarton, kodwa abafazi nabantwana babashiya esixekweni, abababulalanga.
50 Bonke abemi besixeko saseSarton babengamadoda anamandla, omnye kubo wayeza kusukela iwaka, kwaye ababini kubo babengenakubaleka kwishumi lamawaka lamadoda aseleyo.
51 Oonyana bakaYakobi bababulala bonke abemi besixeko saseSarton ngohlangothi lwekrele, ukuze kungabikho mntu ubachasayo, baza babashiya abafazi esixekweni.
52 Oonyana bakaYakobi bathabatha onke amaxhoba esixeko, bathimba konke ababekunqwenela, bathabatha imihlambi yezimvu, neenkomo, nempahla yesixeko; oonyana bakaYakobi benza kuSarton nakubemi baso njengoko babenzile kuHazare nakubemi baso; bajika bemka.

ISAHLUKO 39

1 Bathi oonyana bakaYakobi bakuphuma kwisixeko saseSarton, bemalunga neekubhite ezingamakhulu amabini, badibana nabemi baseTapnaki besiza kubo, kuba baphuma baya kulwa nabo, kuba babemoyisile ukumkani waseTapnaki namadoda akhe onke.
2 Bonke abo babesele eTapnaki baphuma baya kulwa noonyana bakaYakobi, baza bacinga ukuzithatha kubo izinto ababezithimbile eHazare naseSarton.
3 Amajoni aseTapnaki alwa noonyana bakaYakobi kuloo ndawo, baza oonyana bakaYakobi bababulala, baza babaleka, bawasukela baya kufika kwisixeko saseArbelan, baza bonke bawa phambi koonyana bakaYakobi.
4 Babuya oonyana bakaYakobi, beza eTapnaki, besiya kuthatha amaxhoba aseTapnaki; bakufika eTapnaki, beva ukuba abantu baseArbelan baphumile baya kubahlangabeza ukuze basindise amaxhoba abazalwana babo, oonyana bakaYakobi bashiya amadoda alishumi eTapnaki ukuze aphange isixeko, baza baphuma baya kubantu baseArbelan.
5 Amadoda aseArbelan aphuma nabafazi bawo baya kulwa noonyana bakaYakobi, kuba abafazi bawo babenamava emfazweni, baphuma, amadoda nabafazi bemalunga namakhulu amane.
6 Bonke oonyana bakaYakobi bakhwaza ngezwi elikhulu, baza bonke babaleka baya kubemi baseArbelan, ngelizwi elikhulu nelimangalisayo.
7 Abemi baseArbelan basiva isandi sokukhwaza koonyana bakaYakobi, nokugquma kwabo okunjengesandi seengonyama, nokugquma kolwandle namaza alo.
8 Bafikelwa luloyiko noloyiko ngenxa yoonyana bakaYakobi, baza boyika kakhulu, baza babaleka phambi kwabo bangena esixekweni, baza oonyana bakaYakobi babasukela ukuya esangweni lesixeko, baza bafika kubo esixekweni.
9 Oonyana bakaYakobi balwa nabo esixekweni, abafazi babo bonke balwa ngesaphetha nxamnye noonyana bakaYakobi, kwaye imfazwe yayinzima kakhulu phakathi kwabo yonke loo mini kwada kwahlwa.
10 Oonyana bakaYakobi babengenakuboyisa, kwaye oonyana bakaYakobi babesele bephantse batshabalala kuloo mfazwe, baza oonyana bakaYakobi bakhala eNkosini baza bomelela kakhulu ngokuhlwa, baza oonyana bakaYakobi bababulala bonke abemi baseArbelan ngohlangothi lwekrele, amadoda, abafazi nabantwana.
11 Kwanabanye abantu ababebalekile eSarton, oonyana bakaYakobi bababulala eArbelan, baza oonyana bakaYakobi benza kuArbelan naseTapnaki njengoko

babenzile kuHazare naseSarton. Xa abafazi babona ukuba onke amadoda afile, bakhwela eluphahleni lwesixeko baza babulala oonyana bakaYakobi ngokunisela amatye njengemvula.
12 Oonyana bakaYakobi bakhawuleza bangena esixekweni, babathimba bonke abafazi, bababulala ngekrele, oonyana bakaYakobi bathabatha onke amaxhoba, nempahla ephangiweyo, imihlambi yeegusha, neenkomo, neenkomo.
13 Oonyana bakaYakobi benza eMakenayima njengoko babenzile kwiTapenaki, nakwiHatsare, nakwiShilo; bajika bemka apho.
14 Kwaye ngomhla wesihlanu oonyana bakaYakobi beva ukuba abantu baseGahashe bahlanganisene nxamnye nabo ukuze balwe, kuba babebulele ukumkani wabo neenkosana zabo, kuba kwakukho iinkosana ezilishumi elinesine kwisixeko saseGahashe, kwaye oonyana bakaYakobi bababulele bonke kwidabi lokuqala.
15 Oonyana bakaYakobi ngaloo mini banxiba izixhobo zabo zemfazwe, baza bahamba baya kulwa nabemi baseGahashe, kwaye eGahashe kwakukho abantu abanamandla nabanamandla babantu bama-Amori, kwaye iGahashe yayisisixeko esomeleleyo nesinqatyisiweyo kunazo zonke izixeko zama-Amori, kwaye yayineendonga ezintathu.
16 Oonyana bakaYakobi bafika eGahashe baza bafumana amasango esixeko evaliwe, kwaye amadoda amalunga namakhulu amahlanu emi phezulu kodonga olungaphandle, kunye nabantu abaninzi njengentlabathi elunxwemeni lolwandle babelalele oonyana bakaYakobi bevela ngaphandle kwesixeko ngasemva kwaso.
17 Basondela oonyana bakaYakobi, beza kuvula amasango omzi; kwathi, besasondela, kwaphuma abo babelalele ngasemva komzi, babarhawula oonyana bakaYakobi.
18 Oonyana bakaYakobi babephakathi kwabantu baseGahashe, idabi laliphambi kwabo nangasemva kwabo, kwaye bonke abantu ababeseludongeni, babephosa iintolo namatye besuka eludongeni.
19 Akubona uYuda ukuba amadoda aseGahashe ayenzima kunawo, wenza isikhalo esikhulu nesinzima, onke amadoda aseGahashe othuka kakhulu lilizwi lesikhalo sikaYuda, amadoda awela eludongeni ngesikhalo sakhe esikhulu, bonke abo babengaphandle nangaphakathi komzi boyika kakhulu ubomi babo.
20 Bathi oonyana bakaYakobi besasondela, beza kuqhekeza iingcango zomzi, amadoda aseGahashe abaphosa ngamatye neentolo bephezulu eludongeni, bababaleka besuka esangweni.
21 Oonyana bakaYakobi babuya baya kulwa namadoda aseGahashe awayenabo bevela ngaphandle kwesixeko, bawabulala kakhulu, ngokungathi abetha imithi yesundu, awazange akwazi ukumelana noonyana bakaYakobi, kuba babebanjwe luloyiko ngenxa yesikhalo sikaYuda.
22 Oonyana bakaYakobi bababulala bonke abo bantu babengaphandle kwesixeko, yaye oonyana bakaYakobi basondela ukuze bangene esixekweni, baze balwe phantsi kweendonga zesixeko, kodwa babengenakukwazi kuba bonke abemi baseGahashe ababesele esixekweni babezirhangqile iindonga zaseGahashe macala onke, kangangokuba oonyana bakaYakobi babengenakukwazi ukusondela esixekweni ukuze balwe nabo.
23 Bakufika oonyana bakaYakobi ekhoneni elinye ukuze balwe phantsi kodonga, abemi baseGahashe babaphosa iintolo namatye njengemvula, baza babaleka phantsi kodonga.
24 Abantu baseGahashe ababeseludongeni, bebona ukuba oonyana bakaYakobi abanakubanqoba phantsi kodonga, babakhalimela oonyana bakaYakobi ngala mazwi, besithi:
25 Yintoni na ingxaki yakho edabini ukuba awukwazi ukoyisa? Ngaba ungenza na ke kwisixeko esinamandla saseGahashe nabemi baso njengoko wenzayo kwizixeko zama-Amori ezazingenamandla kangako? Ngokuqinisekileyo wenza ezo zinto kwabo babuthathaka phakathi kwethu, wababulala esangweni lesixeko, kuba babengenamandla xa babesoyika ngesandi sokukhwaza kwakho?
26 Niya kukwazi na ke ngoku ukulwa kule ndawo? Ngokuqinisekileyo niya kufela apha nonke, size thina siphindezele ngenxa yaloo mizi niyiphanzisileyo.
27 Abemi baseGahashe babagxeka kakhulu oonyana bakaYakobi, babathuka ngoothixo babo, baza baqhubeka bephosa iintolo namatye phezu kwabo besuka eludongeni.
28 UYuda nabazalwana bakhe beva amazwi abemi baseGahashe, bavutha ngumsindo, uYuda waba nomona ngoThixo wakhe kule nto, wadanduluka wathi, Nkosi, nceda, thumela uncedo kuthi nakubazalwana bethu.
29 Waza wabaleka kude ngamandla akhe onke, ephethe ikrele lakhe elirholiweyo esandleni sakhe, waza watsiba emhlabeni waza ngamandla akhe onke, wakhwela udonga, laza ikrele lakhe lawa esandleni sakhe.
30 AmaYuda akhwaza eludongeni, aza onke amadoda awayephezu kodonga othuka, amanye awo awela eludongeni angena esixekweni, afa, kwaye lawo ayeseludongeni, akubona amandla kaYuda, oyika kakhulu, aza abalekela esixekweni ukuze akhuseleke.
31 Abanye baba nesibindi sokulwa noYuda eludongeni, baza basondela ukumbulala xa bebona ukuba akukho krele esandleni sikaYuda, baza bacinga ngokumphosa eludongeni kubazalwana bakhe, kwaza kwafika amadoda angamashumi amabini esixekweni ukuba abancede, bamrhangqa uYuda baza bonke bamkhwaza, baza basondela kuye bephethe amakrele, bamoyikisa uYuda, waza uYuda wamemeza kubazalwana bakhe bevela eludongeni.
32 UYakobi noonyana bakhe bathabatha isaphetha phantsi kodonga, baza babetha amadoda amathathu awayephezu kodonga, uYuda waqhubeka ekhala waza wadanduluka wathi, Nkosi, sincede, Nkosi, sisindise. Wadanduluka ngelizwi elikhulu eludongeni, kwavakala isikhalo kude.
33 Emva kwesi sikhalo waphinda wamemeza kwakhona, kwaye onke amadoda awayejikeleze uYuda phezulu eludongeni oyika, kwaye ngamnye waphosa ikrele lakhe esandleni sakhe xa kwavakala isikhalo sikaYuda kunye nokungcangcazela kwakhe, waza wabaleka.
34 UYuda wazithabatha iikrele ezaziwile ezandleni zabo, waza uYuda walwa nabo, wabulala amadoda angamashumi amabini eludongeni.
35 Amadoda nabafazi abamalunga namashumi asibhozo baqhubeka benyuka udonga besuka esixekweni, baza bonke bajikeleza uYuda, waza uYehova wabangela ukuba uloyiko lukaYuda luhlale ezintliziyweni zabo, kangangokuba babengenakukwazi ukusondela kuye.

36 UYakobi nabo bonke ababenaye barhola isaphetha phantsi kodonga, babulala amadoda alishumi eludongeni, bawa phantsi kodonga, phambi koYakobi noonyana bakhe.
37 Akubona amadoda angamashumi amabini phezu kodonga ukuba awile, abaleka aya kwaYuda ephethe iikrele, kodwa awazange akwazi ukusondela kuye, kuba ayesoyika kakhulu ngamandla kaJuda.
38 Omnye wamadoda abo anamandla ogama linguArud wasondela ukuze amxabele uYuda entloko ngekrele lakhe, xa uYuda wakhawuleza wabeka ikhaka lakhe entlokweni yakhe, ikrele laza labetha ikhaka, laza laqhekeka kubini.
39 Kwaye le ndoda inamandla emva kokuba imoyisile uYuda yabaleka ukuze isindise ubomi bayo, ngenxa yokoyika uYuda, kwaye iinyawo zayo zatyibilika eludongeni waza wawela phakathi koonyana bakaYakobi ababengaphantsi kodonga, baza oonyana bakaYakobi bambetha baza bambulala.
40 Intloko kaJuda yamtsho wabuhlungu ngenxa yesibetho sendoda enamandla, kangangokuba uJuda wayesele eza kufa ngenxa yaso.
41 UYuda wakhala eludongeni ngenxa yentlungu ebangelwe kukubethwa, xa uDan weva, umsindo wakhe wavutha ngaphakathi kuye, naye wasukuma waya kude, wabaleka, watsiba emhlabeni, wakhwela eludongeni ngamandla akhe anomsindo.
42 Akufika uDan eludongeni kufutshane noYuda, onke amadoda awayeseludongeni abaleka, awayemi nxamnye noYuda, anyuka aya eludongeni lwesibini, apho aphosa iintolo namatye kuDan nakuYuda ukusuka eludongeni lwesibini, aza azama ukubagxotha eludongeni.
43 Iintolo namatye zabetha uDan noYuda, baza bafa eludongeni, kwaye naphi na apho uDan noYuda babaleka khona eludongeni, babehlaselwa ngeentolo namatye avela eludongeni lwesibini.
44 UYakobi noonyana bakhe babesesemnyango wesixeko phantsi kodonga lokuqala, kwaye babengenakukwazi ukurhola isaphetha sabo nxamnye nabemi besixeko, njengoko babengenakubonwa ngabo, ekubeni babeseludongeni lwesibini.
45 Kwaye uDan noYuda xa babengasakwazi ukuthwala amatye neentolo ezaziwa phezu kwabo ukusuka eludongeni lwesibini, bobabini batsibela eludongeni lwesibini kufutshane nabantu besixeko, kwaye xa abantu besixeko ababeseludongeni lwesibini babona ukuba uDan noYuda beze kubo eludongeni lwesibini, bonke bamemeza baza behla ngaphantsi phakathi kweendonga.
46 UYakobi noonyana bakhe basiva isandi sokukhwaza esivela kubantu besixeko, kwaye babesesemnyango wesixeko, kwaye babexhalabile ngoDan noYuda ababengabonwa ngabo, bekwidonga lesibini.
47 UNafetali wenyuka ngamandla akhe anomsindo waza watsiba eludongeni lokuqala ukuze abone ukuba yintoni ebangele isandi sokukhwaza ababesivile esixekweni, baza ooIsakare noZebhulon basondela ukuze baphule iingcango zesixeko, baza bavula amasango esixeko baza bangena esixekweni.
48 UNafetali watsiba ukusuka eludongeni lokuqala ukuya kolwesibini, waza weza kunceda abazalwana bakhe, nabemi baseGahashe ababephezu kodonga, ebona ukuba uNafetali wayengowesithathu owayeze kunceda abazalwana bakhe, bonke babaleka behla baya esixekweni, waza uYakobi nabo bonke oonyana bakhe nabo bonke abafana babo bangena esixekweni.
49 UYuda, uDan, noNafetali behla besuka eludongeni bangena esixekweni, basukela abemi besixeko, uSimeyon noLevi babengaphandle kwesixeko, bengazi ukuba isango livuliwe, basuka apho benyuka baya eludongeni, behla baya kubazalwana babo esixekweni.
50 Abemi besixeko bonke babesele behlile baya esixekweni, baza oonyana bakaYakobi bafika kubo ngeendlela ezahlukeneyo, kwaye idabi laqhubeka nxamnye nabo ngaphambili nangasemva, baza oonyana bakaYakobi bababulala kakhulu, baza babulala malunga namawaka angamashumi amabini kubo amadoda nabafazi, akukho namnye kubo owayenokumelana noonyana bakaYakobi.
51 Igazi laphuma kakhulu kwisixeko, laza laba njengomlambo wamanzi, negazi laphuma njengomfula ukuya ngaphandle kwesixeko, laza lafika entlango yaseBhete-chorin.
52 Abantu baseBhete-khorin babona igazi liphuma kude kwisixeko saseGahashe, kwaye amadoda amalunga namashumi asixhenxe phakathi kwabo abaleka ukuya kubona igazi, aza afika kwindawo apho igazi lalikhona.
53 Balandela umkhondo wegazi baza bafika eludongeni lwesixeko saseGahashe, baza babona ukuphuma kwegazi esixekweni, baza beva ilizwi lokukhala elivela kubemi baseGahashe, kuba lalinyukela ezulwini, kwaye igazi laliqhubeka liphuma kakhulu njengomlambo wamanzi.
54 Bonke oonyana bakaYakobi babesabulala abemi baseGahashe, baza baqhubeka nokubabulala kwada kwahlwa, amadoda nabafazi abamalunga namashumi amabini amawaka, baza abantu baseChorin bathi, Inene lo ngumsebenzi wamaHebhere, kuba asaqhubeka nemfazwe kuzo zonke izixeko zama-Amori.
55 Baza abo bantu bakhawuleza babaleka baya eBhetekhorin, baza ngamnye wathabatha izixhobo zakhe zokulwa, baza bamemeza kubo bonke abemi baseBhetekhorin, nabo ababenxibe izixhobo zabo zokulwa ukuba baye kulwa noonyana bakaYakobi.
56 Bakuba oonyana bakaYakobi begqibile ukubabulala abemi baseGahashe, bajikeleza isixeko ukuze bahlube bonke ababuleweyo, baza bafika ngaphakathi kwesixeko, baqhubeka bedibana namadoda amathathu anamandla kakhulu, kungekho krele esandleni sawo.
57 Oonyana bakaYakobi bafika apho babekho, amadoda anamandla abaleka, omnye wabo wathabatha uZebhulon, awambonayo ukuba yinkwenkwe eselula nemfutshane, waza ngamandla akhe wamtyhala wawa phantsi.
58 Wabaleka uYakobi waya kuye ephethe ikrele lakhe, waza uYakobi wamxabela ngekrele ezantsi esinqeni sakhe, wamnqumla kubini, waza umzimba wawela kuZebhulon.
59 Weza owesibini wambamba uYakobi ukuze amwise phantsi, waza uYakobi wajika waya kuye wamemeza, ngoxa uSimeyon noLevi babaleka bambetha esinqeni ngekrele baza bamwisa emhlabeni.
60 Indoda enamandla yaphakama emhlabeni inomsindo onamandla, waza uYuda weza kuyo engekafiki kwinqanaba layo, wayibetha entloko ngekrele, yaza intloko yayo yaqhekeka yaza yafa.
61 Indoda yesithathu enamandla, yakubona ukuba amaqabane ayo abulewe, yabaleka phambi koonyana bakaYakobi, baza oonyana bakaYakobi bayisukela

esixekweni; kwaye ngelixa indoda enamandla yayibaleka yafumana enye yamakrele abemi besixeko, yaza yalithabatha yajika yajonga koonyana bakaYakobi yaza yalwa nabo ngaloo krele.
62 Le ndoda inamandla yabaleka yaya kuYuda ukuze imhlasele ngekrele entloko, kodwa kwakungekho khaka esandleni sikaYuda; waza xa wayejonge ukumhlasela, uNafetali wathabatha ikhaka lakhe ngokukhawuleza walibeka entlokweni kaYuda, yaye ikrele lendoda enamandla lahlasela ikhaka likaNafetali, waza uYuda wasinda ekreleni.
63 USimeyon noLevi bahlasela indoda enamandla ngamakrele abo baza bayihlasela ngamandla ngamakrele abo, kwaye la makrele mabini angena emzimbeni wendoda enamandla aza awahlulahlula kubini, ngobude.
64 Oonyana bakaYakobi bawabulala loo madoda mathathu anamandla ngelo xesha, kunye nabo bonke abemi baseGahashe, yaza imini yasondela.
65 Oonyana bakaYakobi bahambahamba eGahashe baza bathabatha onke amaxhoba aloo mzi, bawathabatha nabantwana nabafazi, abangazange babashiye baphile; oonyana bakaYakobi benza kuGahashe njengoko babenzile kuSarton naseShilo.

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1 Oonyana bakaYakobi bathabatha onke amaxhoba aseGahashe, baphuma kuloo mzi ebusuku.
2 Babephuma besiya enqabeni yaseBhete-chorin, kwaye abemi baseBhete-chorin babesiya enqabeni ukuya kubahlangabeza, kwaye ngobo busuku oonyana bakaYakobi balwa nabemi baseBhete-chorin, enqabeni yaseBhete-chorin.
3 Kwaye bonke abemi baseBhetekhorin babengamadoda anamandla, omnye kubo wayengenakubaleka phambi kwamadoda aliwaka, kwaye balwa ngobo busuku benqanawe, kwaye ukukhwaza kwabo kwavakala ngobo busuku kude, nomhlaba wanyikima kukukhwaza kwabo.
4 Bonke oonyana bakaYakobi babesoyika loo madoda, njengoko ayengaqhelanga ukulwa ebumnyameni, baza badideka kakhulu, baza oonyana bakaYakobi bakhala eNkosini, besithi, Sincede Nkosi, sihlangule ukuze singafi ngezandla zala madoda angalukanga.
5 Kwaye iNkosi yaliphulaphula ilizwi loonyana bakaYakobi, kwaye iNkosi yabangela uloyiko olukhulu kunye nesiphithiphithi ukuba babambe abantu baseBhetekhorin, baza balwa omnye nomnye ebumnyameni bobusuku, baza babethana ngamanani amakhulu.
6 Baza oonyana bakaYakobi, besazi ukuba iNkosi izise umoya wobugwenxa phakathi kwaloo madoda, nokuba balwa ngamnye nommelwane wakhe, baphuma phakathi kwamaqela abantu baseBhetekhorin baza bahamba baya kufikelela ezantsi kwenqaba yaseBhetekhorin, bade baya phambili, baza bahlala apho bekhuselekile kunye namadodana abo aselula ngobo busuku.
7 Kwaye abantu baseBethchorin balwa ubusuku bonke, indoda enye nomntakwabo, nomnye nommelwane wayo, baza bamemeza macala onke phezu kwenqaba, kwaye isikhalo sabo savakala kude, kwaye wonke umhlaba wanyikima ngelizwi labo, kuba babenamandla ngaphezu kwabo bonke abantu bomhlaba.
8 Bonke abemi bezixeko zamaKanan, amaHeti, ama-Amori, amaHivi, nookumkani bonke baseKanan, nabo babephesheya kweYordan, basiva isandi sokukhwaza ngobo busuku.
9 Bathi, Ewe, ezi ziimfazwe zamaHebhere alwa nemizi esixhenxe, esondele kuzo; ngubani na onokuma phambi kwaloo maHebhere?
10 Bonke abemi bezixeko zamaKanan, nabo bonke ababengaphesheya kweYordan, boyika kakhulu oonyana bakaYakobi, kuba bathi, Khangela, kuya kwenziwa okufanayo kuthi njengoko kwenziwa kwezo zixeko, kuba ngubani na onokumelana namandla azo amakhulu?
11 Kwaye izikhalo zamaKhorini zazinkulu kakhulu ngobo busuku, zaqhubeka zisanda; baza babethana kwada kwasa, kwaye inani labo labulawa.
12 Kwathi kusasa, bonke oonyana bakaYakobi bavuka kusasa, benyuka baya enqabeni, bababulala abo baseleyo kumaKorini ngendlela eyoyikekayo, babulawa bonke enqabeni.
13 Kwathi ngomhla wesithandathu, bonke abemi baseKanan babona kude bonke abantu baseBhete-khorin belele ebhotweni laseBhete-khorin, besasazeke njengezidumbu zeemvana neebhokhwe.
14 Oonyana bakaYakobi bathabatha yonke into ababeyithathile eGahashe, baya eBhete-horin, baza bafumana isixeko sizele ngabantu abanjengentlabathi yolwandle, balwa nabo, baza oonyana bakaYakobi bababulala apho kwada kwahlwa.
15 Oonyana bakaYakobi benza kwiBhete-horin njengoko benzayo kwiGahashe nakwiTapenaki, nanjengoko benzayo kwiHazare nakwiSarton nakwiShilo.
16 Oonyana bakaYakobi bathabatha amaxhoba aseBhete-khorin nawo onke amaxhoba ezixeko, baza ngaloo mini babuyela eShekem.
17 Oonyana bakaYakobi bafika ekhaya kwisixeko saseShekem, bahlala ngaphandle kwesixeko, baza baphumla apho ngenxa yemfazwe, balala apho ubusuku bonke.
18 Bonke abakhonzi babo, kunye nayo yonke into ababeyithabathile emizini, bayishiya ngaphandle komzi, kwaye abazange bangene kuwo, kuba babesithi, Mhlawumbi kungakho imfazwe nxamnye nathi, baze basingqinge eShekem.
19 UYakobi noonyana bakhe, nabakhonzi babo, bahlala ngobo busuku nangengomso esiqwengeni sentsimi, awasithengayo uYakobi kuHamore ngeeshekele ezintlanu; yonke into ababeyibambile yayinabo.
20 Zonke izinto abazithimbileyo oonyana bakaYakobi zazikwisiqwenga sentsimi, zininzi njengentlabathi eselunxwemeni lolwandle.
21 Abemi belizwe babebajongile bekude, kwaye bonke abemi belizwe babesoyika oonyana bakaYakobi abenze le nto, kuba akukho kumkani wakha wenza into enjalo ukususela kwimihla yakudala.
22 Ookumkani abasixhenxe bamaKanan bagqiba kwelokuba benze uxolo noonyana bakaYakobi, kuba babesoyika kakhulu ubomi babo ngenxa yoonyana bakaYakobi.

23 Ngaloo mini, ngomhla wesixhenxe, uYafiya ukumkani waseHebron wathumela ngasese kukumkani waseAyi, nakukumkani waseGibheyon, nakukumkani waseShalem, nakukumkani waseAdulam, nakukumkani waseLakishe, nakukumkani waseHazare, nakookumkani bonke bamaKanan ababephantsi kwabo, esithi,
24 Nyuka nam, uze kum, siye koonyana bakaYakobi, ndenze uxolo nabo, ndenze umnqophiso nabo, hleze ilizwe lakho litshabalaliswe ngekrele loonyana bakaYakobi, njengoko benzayo kwiShekem nakwimizi eyingqongileyo, njengoko nivileyo nakubonayo.
25 Xa niza kum, musani ukuza nabantu abaninzi, kodwa ukumkani ngamnye makazise abaphathi bakhe abathathu, kwaye umphathi ngamnye makazise abaphathi bakhe abathathu.
26 Nize nonke eHebron, size siye kunye koonyana bakaYakobi, sibanxusele ukuba benze umnqophiso woxolo nathi.
27 Bonke abo kumkani benza njengoko ukumkani waseHebron wayebathumelele, kuba bonke babephantsi kwengcebiso nomyalelo wakhe, kwaye bonke ookumkani baseKanan bahlanganisana ukuya koonyana bakaYakobi, ukuze benze uxolo nabo; kwaye oonyana bakaYakobi babuya baya kwisiqwenga sentsimi esasiseShekem, kuba babengathembelanga kookumkani belizwe.
28 Oonyana bakaYakobi babuya, bahlala esigangeni iintsuku ezilishumi, akwabakho mntu uzayo kulwa nabo.
29 Bakubona oonyana bakaYakobi ukuba akukho mfazwe, bahlanganisana bonke, baya emzini wakwaShekem; oonyana bakaYakobi bahlala kwaShekem.
30 Emva kweentsuku ezingamashumi amane, bonke ookumkani bama-Amori bahlanganisana bevela kuzo zonke iindawo zabo, beza kuYafiya ukumkani waseHebron.
31 Inani lookumkani abafika eHebron, ukuze benze uxolo noonyana bakaYakobi, yayingamashumi amabini ananye ookumkani, kwaye inani leenkokheli ezazihamba nabo lalingamashumi amathandathu anesithoba, kwaye amadoda abo ayelikhulu elinamashumi asibhozo anesithoba, kwaye bonke aba kumkani kunye namadoda abo baphumla eNtabeni yeHebron.
32 Ukumkani waseHebron waphuma kunye neenkokheli zakhe ezintathu kunye namadoda alithoba, kwaye aba kumkani bagqiba kwelokuba baye koonyana bakaYakobi ukuze benze uxolo.
33 Bathi kukumkani waseHebron, Hamba phambi kwethu namadoda akho, uthethe egameni lethu koonyana bakaYakobi, size sikulandele, siqinisekise amazwi akho. Wenjenjalo ke ukumkani waseHebron.
34 Oonyana bakaYakobi beva ukuba bonke ookumkani baseKanan bahlanganisene ndawonye baza bahlala eHebron, baza oonyana bakaYakobi bathumela abakhonzi babo abane njengeentlola, besithi, Hambani niye kuhlola aba kumkani, niphenye nize nihlole amadoda abo ukuba ambalwa okanye maninzi na, kwaye ukuba ambalwa ngenani, babaleni bonke nize nibuye.
35 Kwaye abakhonzi bakaYakobi baya ngasese kwaba kumkani, baza benza njengoko oonyana bakaYakobi babebayalele, baza ngaloo mini babuyela koonyana bakaYakobi, bathi kubo, Sifikile kwabo kumkani, kwaye bambalwa ngenani, kwaye sibabale bonke, kwaye qaphelani, babengamakhulu amabini anamashumi asibhozo anesibhozo, ookumkani namadoda.
36 Bathi oonyana bakaYakobi, Bambalwa ngenani, ngoko ke asiyi kuphuma siye kubo sonke; kwathi kusasa oonyana bakaYakobi bavuka, bakhetha amadoda angamashumi amathandathu anambini kubo, kwaza kwahamba ishumi loonyana bakaYakobi nabo; babhinqa izixhobo zabo zokulwa, kuba bathi, Bayeza kulwa nathi, kuba babengazi ukuba bayeza kuxolelana nabo.
37 Oonyana bakaYakobi baya kunye nabakhonzi babo esangweni laseShekem, kwabo kumkani, kwaye uyise uYakobi wayekunye nabo.
38 Bakuba bephumile, ukumkani waseHebron, neenkosana zakhe ezintathu, namadoda asithoba, besiza ngasendleleni besiya kuhlasela oonyana bakaYakobi, oonyana bakaYakobi baphakamisa amehlo abo, bambona uYafiya ukumkani waseHebron, neenkosana zakhe, besiza ngakuye, oonyana bakaYakobi bema esangweni laseShekem, abaqhubeka.
39 Ukumkani waseHebron waqhubeka ehamba, yena neenkosana zakhe, wada wafika koonyana bakaYakobi, waza yena neenkosana zakhe baqubuda kubo, ukumkani waseHebron wahlala neenkosana zakhe phambi kukaYakobi noonyana bakhe.
40 Oonyana bakaYakobi bathi kuye: “Kutheni na, kumkani waseHebron? Kutheni na uze kuthi namhlanje? Ufuna ntoni kuthi?” Ukumkani waseHebron wathi kuYakobi: “Ndiyakubongoza, nkosi yam, bonke ookumkani bamaKanan bafikile namhlanje ukuze benze uxolo nawe.”
41 Oonyana bakaYakobi beva amazwi kakumkani waseHebron, baza abavuma ukuvuma izindululo zakhe, kuba oonyana bakaYakobi babengakholwa kuye, kuba babecinga ukuba ukumkani waseHebron wayebathethe ngenkohliso.
42 Ukumkani waseHebron waqonda ngamazwi oonyana bakaYakobi ukuba babengakholwa ngamazwi akhe, waza ukumkani waseHebron wasondela kuYakobi, wathi kuye, Ndiyakubongoza, nkosi yam, ukuba uqiniseke ukuba bonke aba kumkani bafikile kuwe benoxolo, kuba abazange beze namadoda abo onke, kwaye abazange bazise nezixhobo zabo zokulwa, kuba beze kufuna uxolo enkosini yam nakoonyana bayo.
43 Oonyana bakaYakobi baphendula ukumkani waseHebron, besithi, Thumela kubo bonke aba kumkani, kwaye ukuba uthetha inyaniso kuthi, mabaze ngabanye phambi kwethu, kwaye ukuba beza kuthi bengaxhobanga, siya kwazi ke ukuba bafuna uxolo kuthi.
44 UYafiya, ukumkani waseHebron, wathumela omnye wamadoda akhe kookumkani, baza bonke beza phambi koonyana bakaYakobi, baqubuda kubo, baza aba kumkani bahlala phambi kukaYakobi noonyana bakhe, baza bathetha nabo, besithi:
45 Sivile konke owakwenzayo kookumkani bama-Amori ngekrele lakho nangengalo yakho enamandla kakhulu, kangangokuba akukho mntu wayenokuma phambi kwakho, saza sakoyika ngenxa yobomi bethu, hleze kusifikele njengoko kwaba njalo kubo.
46 Ngoko ke size kuni ukuze senze isivumelwano soxolo phakathi kwethu, kwaye ngoku ke yenzani isivumelwano soxolo nenyaniso nathi, sokuba ningasichaphazeli, kuba thina singanichaphazeli.

47 Oonyana bakaYakobi bazi ukuba bafikile ngokwenene ukuza kufuna uxolo kubo, baza oonyana bakaYakobi babaphulaphula, benza umnqophiso nabo.
48 Oonyana bakaYakobi babafungisa ukuba abayi kubaphazamisa, yaye bonke ookumkani bamaKanan babafungisa, baza oonyana bakaYakobi babafaka uviko ukususela ngaloo mini.
49 Emva koko zonke iinkokheli zaba kumkani zeza phambi kukaYakobi namadoda azo, ziphethe izipho ezandleni zazo kuYakobi nakubantwana bakhe, zaqubuda kuye.
50 Emva koko aba kumkani bababongoza oonyana bakaYakobi, babacela ukuba babuyisele yonke into ababeyithathile kwizixeko ezisixhenxe zama-Amori, baza oonyana bakaYakobi benza njalo, baza babuyisela yonke into ababeyithathile, abafazi, abantwana, iinkomo, nayo yonke into ababeyithathile, baza babandulula, bahamba ngamnye waya kwisixeko sakhe.
51 Bonke aba kumkani baphinda baqubuda koonyana bakaYakobi, kwaye babathumela okanye babazisela izipho ezininzi ngaloo mihla, kwaye oonyana bakaYakobi babathumela aba kumkani namadoda abo, kwaye bahamba ngoxolo bemka kubo baya kwizixeko zabo, kwaye oonyana bakaYakobi nabo babuyela emakhayeni abo, eShekem.
52 Kwaye kwabakho uxolo ukususela ngaloo mini phakathi koonyana bakaYakobi nookumkani bamaKanan, de oonyana bakaSirayeli bafika ukuze balidle ilifa ilizwe laseKanan.

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1 Kwathi ngexesha lomjikelo wonyaka oonyana bakaYakobi banduluka eShekem, baza bafika eHebron, kuIsake uyise, bahlala apho, kodwa imihlambi yabo yezimvu neenkomo babesidla imihla ngemihla eShekem, kuba kwakukho apho ngaloo mihla idlelo elihle nelityebileyo, kwaye uYakobi noonyana bakhe nendlu yabo yonke babehlala entlanjeni yaseHebron.
2 Kwathi ngaloo mihla, ngaloo nyaka, iminyaka elikhulu elinesithandathu yobomi bukaYakobi, ngomnyaka weshumi wokuphuma kukaYakobi ePadan-aram, wafa uLeya, umkaYakobi, eneminyaka engamashumi amahlanu ananye ubudala, ekufeni kwakhe eHebron.
3 UYakobi noonyana bakhe bamngcwaba emqolombeni wentsimi yaseMakapela, eseHebron, awawuthengayo uAbraham koonyana bakaHeti, ukuba ube yindawo yokungcwaba.
4 Oonyana bakaYakobi bahlala noyise entlanjeni yaseHebron, baza bonke abemi belo lizwe babazi amandla abo nodumo lwabo lwasasazeka kulo lonke ilizwe.
5 UYosefu unyana kaYakobi, nomntakwabo uBhenjamin, oonyana bakaRakeli, umfazi kaYakobi, babesebancinci ngaloo mihla, kwaye abazange baphume nabazalwana babo ngexesha leemfazwe zabo kuzo zonke izixeko zama-Amori.
6 Wathi uYosefu akubona amandla abantakwabo, nobukhulu babo, wabancoma waza wabaphakamisa, kodwa wazibeka mkhulu kunabo, waza waziphakamisa ngaphezu kwabo; noYakobi, uyise, naye wamthanda ngaphezu kwabo bonke oonyana bakhe, kuba wayengunyana wokwaluphala kwakhe, kwaye ngenxa yokumthanda kwakhe, wamenzela ingubo enemibala emininzi.
7 Wathi uYosefu akubona ukuba uyise umthanda ngaphezu kwabazalwana bakhe, waqhubeka eziphakamisa ngaphezu kwabazalwana bakhe, waza wazisa kuyise iingxelo ezimbi ngabo.
8 Bakubona oonyana bakaYakobi yonke into awayeyenza kubo uYosefu, nokuba uyise wayemthanda ngaphezu kwabo bonke, bamthiya, ababa nakuthetha naye ngoxolo imihla yonke.
9 UYosefu wayeneminyaka elishumi elinesixhenxe ubudala, kwaye wayesazenza mkhulu ngaphezu kwabazalwana bakhe, kwaye wayecinga ngokuziphakamisa ngaphezu kwabo.
10 Ngelo xesha waphupha iphupha, waza weza kubantakwabo wabaxelela iphupha lakhe, wathi kubo, Ndiphuphe iphupha, kwaye sonke besibopha izithungu entsimini, kwaye isithungu sam saphakama saza sahlala phantsi kwaye izithungu zenu zasijikeleza zaza zaqubuda kuso.
11 Bamphendula abantakwabo bathi kuye, Lithetha ukuthini eli phupha uliphuphileyo? Ucinga ukuba uza kusilawula okanye usilawule?
12 Wabuya weza, waxelela uYakobi uyise le nto; uYakobi wamanga uYosefu, akuweva la mazwi emlonyeni wakhe; uYakobi wamsikelela uYosefu.
13 Oonyana bakaYakobi bakubona ukuba uyise umsikelele uYosefu, wamanga, nokuba umthanda kakhulu, bammonela, bamthiya ngakumbi.
14 Emva koko uYosefu waphupha elinye iphupha waza walixela iphupha kuyise phambi kwabazalwana bakhe, waza uYosefu wathi kuyise nakubazalwana bakhe, Yabonani, ndiphuphe kwakhona iphupha, kwaye khangelani ilanga nenyanga neenkwenkwezi ezilishumi elinanye ziqubuda kum.
15 Uyise weva amazwi kaYosefu nephupha lakhe, waza wabona ukuba abazalwana bakhe bamthiyile uYosefu ngenxa yale nto, uYakobi wamkhalimela uYosefu phambi kwabazalwana bakhe ngenxa yale nto, esithi, Lithetha ukuthini eli phupha uliphuphileyo, kwaye eli phupha uziphakamisa phambi kwabazalwana bakho abadala kunawe?
16 Ngaba ucinga entliziyweni yakho ukuba mna nonyoko nabantakwenu abalishumi elinanye siza kuza size siqubude kuwe, ukuba uthetha ezi zinto?
17 Abakhuluwa bakhe bammonela ngenxa yamazwi namaphupha akhe, baza baqhubeka nokumthiya, waza uYakobi wawagcina entliziyweni yakhe la maphupha.
18 Ngolunye usuku oonyana bakaYakobi baya kwalusa imihlambi kayise eShekem, kuba babesalusa imihlambi ngaloo mihla; ngoxa oonyana bakaYakobi babesalusa eShekem ngaloo mini, balibazisa, kwaye ixesha lokuqokelela imihlambi ladlula, kwaye babengekafiki.
19 Akubona uYakobi ukuba oonyana bakhe balibele eShekem, uYakobi wathi ngaphakathi kuye, Mhlawumbi abemi bakwaShekem bavukile ukuze balwe nabo, yiyo loo nto belibale ukuza namhlanje.
20 UYakobi wabiza uYosefu unyana wakhe waza wamyalela, esithi, Yabona, abazalwana bakho bayadla eShekem namhlanje, kwaye khangela, abakabuyi; hamba ngoku, ubone apho bakhoyo, uze undizisele iindaba malunga nempilo yabantakwenu kunye nempilo yomhlambi.

21 UYakobi wamthumela unyana wakhe uYosefu entlanjeni yaseHebron, waza uYosefu wabiza abazalwana bakhe eShekem, akabafumana, waza uYosefu wajikeleza intsimi eyayikufutshane neShekem, ukuze abone apho abantakwabo babejike khona, waza wayiphosa indlela yakhe entlango, engazi ukuba makahambe ngayiphi na indlela.
22 Kwaye ingelosi yeNkosi yamfumana ezulazula endleleni eya endle, waza uYosefu wathi kwingelosi yeNkosi, Ndifuna abazalwana bam; awuvanga na apho badla khona? kwaye ingelosi yeNkosi yathi kuYosefu, Ndibabonile abazalwana bakho bedla apha, kwaye ndibavile besithi baya kuya kudla eDotan.
23 UYosefu waliphulaphula ilizwi lesithunywa seNkosi, waza waya kubantakwabo eDotan waza wabafumana eDotan besalusa umhlambi.
24 Wasondela uYosefu kubazalwana bakhe, yaye ngaphambi kokuba asondele kubo, bagqiba kwelokuba bambulale.
25 Wathi uSimeyon kubazalwana bakhe, Yabonani, indoda yamaphupha iza kuthi namhlanje, ngoko ke yizani simbulale, simphose kwenye yemihadi esentlango, size xa uyise emfuna kuthi, sithi uqwengwe lirhamncwa elibi.
26 URubhen weva amazwi abantakwabo ngoYosefu, wathi kubo: “Anifanele niyenze le nto, kuba singamjonga njani uYakobi ubawo wethu? Mphoseni kulo mhadi ukuze afele khona, kodwa ningasoluli isandla sakhe ukuze nichithe igazi lakhe.” URubhen wathetha oku ukuze amhlangule esandleni sabo, ambuyisele kuyise.
27 Akufika uYosefu kubantakwabo wahlala phambi kwabo, baza bamvukela, bambamba, bambetha wawa emhlabeni, baza bamhluba ingubo enemibala emininzi awayeyinxibile.
28 Bamthabatha bamphosa emhadini, kwaye emhadini kwakungekho manzi, ngaphandle kweenyoka noonomadudwane. UYosefu wayesoyika iinyoka noonomadudwane ababesemhadini. UYosefu wadanduluka ngelizwi elikhulu, iNkosi yazifihla iinyoka noonomadudwane emacaleni emhadini, kwaye abazange bamlimaze uYosefu.
29 UYosefu wabiza abazalwana bakhe ephuma emhadini, wathi kubo, Ndenze ntoni na kuni, kwaye ndone ngantoni na? Kutheni ningamoyiki uYehova ngam? Andingowamathambo enu nenyama yenu na, kwaye uYakobi akangoyihlo na, ubawo? Kutheni nindenza le nto namhlanje, kwaye niza kukwazi njani ukujonga phezulu kubawo wethu uYakobi?
30 Waqhubeka ekhala ebiza abazalwana bakhe emhadini, wathi, Owu Yuda, Simeyon, noLevi, bazalwana bam, ndiphakamiseni endaweni yobumnyama enindibeke kuyo, nize namhlanje nize kundivela, nina bantwana beNkosi, noonyana bakaYakobi ubawo. Ukuba ndonile kuni, aningoonyana baka-Abraham, noIsake, noYakobi na? Ukuba babona inkedama babenovelwano ngayo, okanye umntu olambileyo, babemnika isonka ukuba adle, okanye umntu onxaniweyo, babemnika amanzi ukuba asele, okanye umntu ohamba ze, babemgquma ngeengubo!
31 Kwaye ungathini na ke ukuyithintela inceba yakho kumntakwenu, kuba mna ndingowenyama nethambo lakho, kwaye ukuba ndikonile, ngokuqinisekileyo uya kwenza oku ngenxa kabawo!
32 UYosefu wawathetha la mazwi esemgodini, baza abantakwabo abazange bakwazi ukumphulaphula, okanye bawathobele amazwi kaYosefu, waza uYosefu wakhala ekhala emhadini.
33 Wathi uYosefu, Akwaba ubawo ebesazi, namhlanje, isenzo abasenze kubantakwethu kum, namazwi abawathethileyo kum namhlanje.
34 Bonke abazalwana bakhe beva ukukhala kwakhe nokulila kwakhe emhadini, baza abazalwana bakhe bahamba baza baphuma emhadini, ukuze bangaziva izikhalo zikaYosefu nokulila kwakhe emhadini.

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1 Baya bahlala kwelinye icala, malunga nomgama wokudubula ngesaphetha, bahlala apho ukuze badle isonka, baza, besadla, bacebisana ngento eza kwenziwa kuye, nokuba mabambulale okanye bambuyisele kuyise.
2 Bathi besabambe icebo, bakuphakamisa amehlo abo, babona, nanko umkhosi wamaIshmayeli usiza mgama ngendlela yaseGiliyadi, usihla usiya eYiputa.
3 UYuda wathi kubo, Kuya kusinceda ngantoni na ukuba simbulale umninawa wethu? Mhlawumbi uThixo angambuza kuthi; nali ke icebo eniza kulithetha ngaye, eniya kumenza lona: Yabonani, eli qela lamaIshmayeli lisihla lisiya eYiputa,
4 Ngoko ke, yizani simnikele kubo, singabi nasandla kuye, baza kumrhola naye, aze anyamalale phakathi kwabantu beli lizwe, singambulali ngezandla zethu.” Ilizwi labo labakholisa abantakwabo, baza benza ngokwelizwi likaYuda.
5 Kwathi besathetha ngale nto, ngaphambi kokuba iqela lamaIshmayeli lifike kubo, amadoda asixhenxe akwaMidiyan athengisayo adlula kubo, kwaye njengoko babedlula banxanwa, baphakamisa amehlo abo baza babona umngxuma uYosefu awayengcwatyelwe kuwo, baza bakhangela, nanzo zonke iintlobo zeentaka ziphezu kwakhe.
6 Kwaye la maMidiyan abaleka aya emngxunyeni ukuya kusela amanzi, kuba ayecinga ukuba anamanzi, kwaye xa efika phambi komngxunya beva ilizwi likaYosefu elila kwaye elila emngxunyeni, baza bajonga ezantsi emngxunyeni, baza babona kwaye khangela umfana obukekayo kwaye emhle.
7 Bambiza bathi, Ungubani na, ngubani na okuzise apha, ngubani na okubeke kulo mngxuma, entlango? Bonke bancedisa ekuphakamiseni uYosefu, bamkhupha, bamkhupha emngxuma, bamthabatha, bahamba uhambo lwabo, badlula kubazalwana bakhe.
8 Bathi ke bona kubo, “Kutheni nisenza oku, nimthabathe umkhonzi wethu size simke?” Ngokuqinisekileyo simfake lo mfana emhadini kuba wasivukela, nize nimnyuse nimkhokele; ngoku ke sibuyiseleni umkhonzi wethu.”
9 AmaMidiyan aphendula athi koonyana bakaYakobi, Ngumkhonzi wenu lo, okanye lo mntu uniphetheyo? Mhlawumbi nonke ningabakhonzi bakhe, kuba umhle kwaye ulungile kunani nonke, kutheni ke nonke nithetha ubuxoki kuthi?
10 Ngoko ke asiyi kuwaphulaphula amazwi akho, singayi kukuhoya, kuba sifumene umfana emhadini entlango, sambamba; ngoko ke siya kuqhubeka.

11 Bonke oonyana bakaYakobi basondela kubo, basondela kubo, bathi kubo: “Sibuyiseleni umkhonzi wethu, kwaye kutheni na niza kufa ngohlangothi lwekrele?” AmaMidiyan akhwaza nxamnye nawo, athabatha amakrele awo, asondela ukuze alwe noonyana bakaYakobi.
12 Kwaye khangela uSimeyon waphakama esihlalweni sakhe nxamnye nabo, waza watsiba emhlabeni waza warhola ikrele lakhe waza wasondela kumaMidiyan waza wenza isikhalo esoyikekayo phambi kwabo, kangangokuba isikhalo sakhe savakala kude, nomhlaba wanyikima ngokukhwaza kukaSimeyon.
13 AmaMidiyan oyika ngenxa kaSimeyon nesandi sokukhwaza kwakhe, aza awela ngobuso, othuka kakhulu.
14 USimon wathi kubo, Inene, ndinguSimon, unyana kaYakobi, umHebhere, otshabalalise umzi wakwaShekem nemizi yama-Amori, kunye nomnakwethu kuphela; uThixo uya kwenza njalo kum, ukuba bonke abazalwana benu, abantu bakwaMidiyan, kunye nookumkani bakwaKanan, bebeza kuni, bengenakulwa nam.
15 Ngoko ke sibuyisele loo mfana umthabathileyo, hleze inyama yakho ndiyinike iintaka zezulu nezilo zomhlaba.
16 AmaMidiyan amoyika ngakumbi uSimeyon, aza asondela koonyana bakaYakobi ngoloyiko noloyiko, nangamazwi abuhlungu, esithi,
17 Ngokuqinisekileyo uthe umfana lo ngumkhonzi wakho, waza wakreqa kuwe, waza wambeka emhadini; ngoko ke uya kwenza ntoni na ngomkhonzi okreqa inkosi yakhe? Ngoko ke mthengise kuthi, kwaye siya kukunika konke okufunayo kuye; kwaye iNkosi yayikuthandile ukwenza oku ukuze oonyana bakaYakobi bangambulali umntakwabo.
18 AmaMidiyan ambona uYosefu ukuba umhle ngembonakalo, emhle ngembonakalo, amnqwenela entliziyweni yawo, aza amthenga ngokukhawuleza kubantakwabo.
19 Oonyana bakaYakobi baphulaphula amaMidiyan baza bathengisa umntakwabo uYosefu kubo ngeesilivere ezingamashumi amabini, kodwa uRubhen umntakwabo wayengekho kubo, kwaye amaMidiyan amthabatha uYosefu baza baqhubeka nohambo lwabo ukuya eGiliyadi.
20 Bathi besahamba ngendlela, amaMidiyan aguquka koko akwenzileyo, ngokuthenga loo mfana, omnye wathi komnye, Yintoni na le siyenzileyo, ngokuthabatha lo mfana kumaHebhere, obukekayo kwaye emhle.
21 Mhlawumbi lo mfana webiwa kwilizwe lamaHebhere, kutheni ke sikwenzile oku? Ukuba angafunwa aze afunyanwe ezandleni zethu, siya kufa ngenxa yakhe.
22 Ngoku ngokuqinisekileyo amadoda aqinileyo nanamandla amthengise kuthi, amandla omntu enimbonile namhlanje; mhlawumbi bambile kwilizwe lakhe ngamandla abo nangengalo yabo enamandla, baza ke ngoko bamthengisa kuthi ngexabiso elincinci esalinika bona.
23 Bathi besathetha njalo, bakhangela, babona iqela lamaIshmayeli elalisiza kuqala, nelabonwa ngoonyana bakaYakobi, lisondela kumaMidiyan, baza amaMidiyan athi omnye komnye, Yizani simthengise lo mfana kwiqela lamaIshmayeli eliza kuthi, size simthabathele loo mali siyinike yena, size sihlangulwe ebubini bakhe.
24 Bakwenza oko, bafika kumaIshmayeli, amaMidiyan amthengisa uYosefu kumaIshmayeli ngeesilivere ezingamashumi amabini, awayezinike abazalwana bakhe.
25 AmaMidiyan ahamba ngendlela yawo eya eGiliyadi, aza amaIshmayeli amthabatha uYosefu, amkhwelisa kwenye yeenkamela, amsa eYiputa.
26 UYosefu weva ukuba amaIshmayeli ayesiya eYiputa, waza uYosefu walila waza walila ngenxa yesi sizathu sokuba wayeza kuba kude nelizwe laseKanan, kuyise, waza walila kabuhlungu ngelixa wayekhwele ikamela, waza omnye wamadoda abo wamjonga, waza wamhlisa ekhameleni waza wahamba ngeenyawo, nangona kunjalo uYosefu waqhubeka ekhala kwaye elila, waza wathi, Owu bawo, bawo.
27 Omnye wamaIshmayeli wasukuma waza wambetha uYosefu esidleleni, waza waqhubeka elila; uYosefu wayediniwe endleleni, kwaye wayengenakukwazi ukuqhubeka ngenxa yobuhlungu bomphefumlo wakhe, baza bonke bambetha baza bamcinezela endleleni, baza bamoyikisa ukuze ayeke ukulila.
28 Kwaye iNkosi yabona ibhongo likaYosefu kunye neengxaki zakhe, kwaye iNkosi yawahlisela phezu kwabo bantu ubumnyama kunye nokudideka, kwaye isandla sabo bonke ababembetha somile.
29 Bathi omnye komnye, Yintoni na le nto uThixo ayenzileyo kuthi endleleni? Babengazi ukuba le nto ibahlelele ngenxa kaYosefu. Amadoda ahamba ngendlela, adlula ngendlela eya e-Efrata, apho wangcwatyelwa khona uRakeli.
30 Wafika uYosefu engcwabeni likanina, wakhawuleza uYosefu wabaleka waya engcwabeni likanina, wawa phezu kwengcwaba, walila.
31 Waza uYosefu wadanduluka kakhulu engcwabeni likanina, wathi, Owu mama, mama, Owu wena undizeleyo, vuka ngoku, uvuke ubone unyana wakho, ukuba uthengiswe njani njengekhoboka, kungekho mntu unokumvela.
32 Vuka ubone unyana wakho, ulile nam ngenxa yeengxaki zam, kwaye ubone intliziyo yabazalwana bam.
33 Vusa umama, vuka, vuka ebuthongweni bakho ngenxa yam, kwaye uqondise iimfazwe zakho nxamnye nabazalwana bam. Hayi indlela abandihlube ngayo ingubo yam, kwaye bandithengise kabini njengekhoboka, kwaye bandihlukanisa nobawo, kwaye akukho mntu undivelayo.
34 Vuka, ubeke ityala lakho phambi koThixo, uze ubone ukuba ngubani na uThixo aya kumgweba, aze lowo aya kumgweba.
35 Vuka, Owu mama, vuka, vuka ebuthongweni bakho uze ubone utata ukuba umphefumlo wakhe unani nam namhlanje, uze umthuthuzele kwaye uphumze intliziyo yakhe.
36 Waqhubeka uYosefu ethetha la mazwi, waza uYosefu wakhala kakhulu waza walila kabuhlungu engcwabeni likanina; waza wayeka ukuthetha, waza ngenxa yobukrakra bentliziyo wathi cwaka njengelitye phezu kwengcwaba.
37 UYosefu weva ilizwi lithetha naye livela phantsi komhlaba, elaphendula ngentliziyo ekrakra, nangelizwi lokulila nokuthandaza ngala mazwi:
38 Nyana wam, nyana wam Yosefu, ndilivile ilizwi lokulila kwakho nelizwi lesijwili sakho; ndizibonile iinyembezi zakho; Ndiyazazi iingxaki zakho, nyana wam,

kwaye zindibangela intlungu ngenxa yakho, kwaye intlungu eninzi yongezwa kwintlungu yam.
39 Ngoko ke nyana wam, Yosefu, nyana wam, thembela eNkosini, ulinde kuyo, ungoyiki, kuba iNkosi inawe, iya kukuhlangula kuyo yonke ingxaki.
40 Suka nyana wam, uye eYiputa kunye neenkosi zakho, ungoyiki, kuba uYehova unawe, nyana wam.” Waqhubeka ethetha la mazwi kuYosefu, kodwa wahlala ezolile.
41 Wakuva uYosefu oku, wamangaliswa kakhulu yile nto, waza waqhubeka elila; emva koko omnye wamaIshmayeli wambona ekhala kwaye elila phezu kwengcwaba, waza umsindo wakhe wavutha nxamnye naye, waza wamgxotha apho, waza wambetha waza wamqalekisa.
42 Wathi uYosefu kumadoda, Mandibabalwe emehlweni enu, ukuba nindibuyisele endlwini kabawo, aninike ubutyebi obuninzi.
43 Bamphendula bathi, Awukho khoboka na, uphi na uyihlo? Ukuba ubunoyise ubungayi kuthengiswa kabini njengekhoboka ngexabiso eliphantsi kangaka; kwaye umsindo wabo wawusavutha nxamnye naye, baza baqhubeka nokumbetha nokumkhalimela, waza uYosefu walila kabuhlungu.
44 INkosi yakubona ukubandezeleka kukaYosefu, yaza iNkosi yaphinda yawabetha la madoda, yawakhalimela, yaza iNkosi yabangela ubumnyama ukuba buwagubungele emhlabeni, kwaye umbane wakhanya kwaye indudumo yaduma, kwaye umhlaba wanyikima ngesandi sendudumo nomoya onamandla, kwaye amadoda oyika kwaye ayengazi apho aye khona.
45 Izilwanyana neenkamela zema, zaza zabakhokela, kodwa azizange zivume ukuhamba, zaza zawabetha, zawa phantsi; aza amadoda athi omnye komnye, Yintoni na le uThixo ayenzileyo kuthi? Ziyintoni na iziphambeko zethu, kwaye ziyintoni na izono zethu ukuba le nto isihlele kangaka?
46 Omnye wabo waphendula wathi kubo, Mhlawumbi kungenxa yesono sokuhlupha eli khoboka lenze le nto kuthi namhlanje; ngoku ke mceleni ngamandla ukuba asixolele, size sazi ukuba kungenxa kabani obu bubi busehleleyo, kwaye ukuba uThixo uya kuba nenceba kuthi, siya kwazi ukuba konke oku kuza kuthi ngenxa yesono sokuhlupha eli khoboka.
47 Enjenjalo loo madoda, ambongoza uYosefu ukuba awaxolele; athi, Sonile kuYehova nakuwe; ngoku ke siyavuma ukuba sicele kuThixo wakho ukuba asuse oku kufa phakathi kwethu, kuba sonile kuye.
48 UYosefu wenza njengoko babetshilo, waza uYehova wamphulaphula uYosefu, waza uYehova wasisusa isibetho awayesibethile kuloo madoda ngenxa kaYosefu, zasuka izilwanyana emhlabeni, zaza zabaqhuba, zaqhubeka, kwaza kwaphela isivuthuvuthu, umhlaba wazola, amadoda aqhubeka nohambo lwawo lokuya eYiputa, yaye amadoda ayazi ukuba obu bubi buwahlele ngenxa kaYosefu.
49 Bathi omnye komnye, Yabonani, siyazi ukuba kungenxa yokubandezeleka kwakhe ukuba esi sibi sisehlele; ngoku ke kutheni siza kuzisa oku kufa phezu kwemiphefumlo yethu? Masicebisane ngento esimele siyenze kulo mkhonzi.
50 Waphendula omnye wathi, Inene uthe masimbuyisele kuyise; ngoko ke yizani simbuyisele size siye apho aya kusixelela khona, sithabathe kwintsapho yakhe ixabiso esilinike yena size sihambe.
51 Waphendula omnye kwakhona wathi, Yabona eli cebiso lilungile kakhulu, kodwa asinakukwenza oko kuba indlela ikude kakhulu kuthi, kwaye asinakukwazi ukuphuma endleleni yethu.
52 Waphendula omnye wathi kubo, Nasi icebo ekufuneka lithathwe, asiyi kuphambuka kulo; khangelani namhlanje siya eYiputa, kwaye xa sifika eYiputa, siya kumthengisa apho ngexabiso eliphezulu, size sikhululwe ebubini bakhe.
53 Laba lilungile elo lizwi amadoda, enjenjalo; ahamba noYosefu, aya eYiputa.

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1 Kwathi xa oonyana bakaYakobi bathengisa umntakwabo uYosefu kumaMidiyan, iintliziyo zabo zadakumba ngenxa yakhe, baza baguquka kwizenzo zabo, bamfuna ukuba bambuyisele, kodwa abazange bamfumane.
2 URubhen wabuyela emhadini apho uYosefu wayefakwe khona, ukuze amkhuphe, ambuyisele kuyise; uRubhen wema emngxunyeni, akaliva ilizwi, wambiza uYosefu, wathi, Yosefu! Akukho mntu uphendulayo, akathetha nto.
3 Wathi uRubhen, UYosefu ufile ngenxa yokoyika, okanye kukho inyoka embuleleyo; uRubhen wehla waya emhadini, wamfuna uYosefu, akamfumana emhadini; wabuya waphuma.
4 URubhen wazikrazula iingubo zakhe, wathi, Umntwana akakho, ndingathini na ukumxolelanisa nobawo ngaye, ukuba ufile? Waya kubantakwabo, wabafumana bebuhlungu ngenxa kaYosefu, becebisana ukuba bamxolelanise njani uyise ngaye, wathi uRubhen kubazalwana bakhe, Ndifikile emhadini, ndaza ndabona uYosefu engekho, singathini ke kubawo, kuba ubawo uza kufuna umfana kum kuphela.
5 Baphendula abazalwana bakhe, bathi, Senze oku, saza sakhathazeka emva koko ngenxa yesi senzo, ngoku sihleli phantsi sifuna isizathu sokuba singamxolelanisa njani ubawo nathi.
6 URubhen wathi kubo: “Niyenzeleni le nto, ukuze nihlise iinwele ezingwevu zikabawo engcwabeni ngenxa yosizi? Ayilunganga le nto niyenzileyo.”
7 URubhen wahlala nabo, basuka bonke bafunga omnye komnye ukuba abayi kuyixela le nto kuYakobi, bathi bonke, Umntu oya kuyixela le nto kubawo okanye kwindlu yakhe, okanye oya kuyixela nakubani na kubantwana beli lizwe, sonke siya kumvukela size simbulale ngekrele.
8 Oonyana bakaYakobi babesoyikana kule nto, ukususela komncinci ukuya komdala, akwabakho mntu uthethayo, baza bayifihla loo nto ezintliziyweni zabo.
9 Baza bahlala phantsi emva koko ukuze bacinge baze bayile into abanokuyithetha kuyise uYakobi ngazo zonke ezi zinto.
10 Wathi uIsakare kubo, Nali icebiso kuni, ukuba kuthe kwalunga emehlweni enu ukwenza oku, thabathani ingubo kaYosefu, niyikrazule, nixhele itakane lebhokhwe, nilithi nkxu egazini layo.
11 Nize niyithumele kubawo aze xa eyibona athi irhamncwa elibi limdlile, ke ngoko krazulani ingubo yakhe kwaye qaphelani igazi lakhe liya kuba phezu kwengubo

yakhe, kwaye ngokwenza oku siya kukhululeka kwiingxolo zikabawo.
12 Icebiso likaIsakare lalunga kubo, baphulaphula, benza ngokwelizwi likaIsakare awayebanike lona.
13 Bakhawuleza bathabatha ingubo kaYosefu, bayikrazula, baza babulala inkunzi yebhokhwe, bayithi nkxu ingubo egazini lebhokhwe, baza bayinyathela eluthulini, baza bayithumela ingubo kuyise uYakobi ngesandla sikaNafetali, baza bamyalela ukuba athethe la mazwi:
14 Besiqokelele iinkomo, saza safika endleleni eya eShekem, saza sayifumana le ngubo endleleni entlango ityibilizwe egazini naseluthulini; yazi ke ngoku ukuba yingubo yonyana wakho okanye akunjalo.
15 UNafetali wahamba waya kuyise waza wamnika ingubo, waza wamxelela onke amazwi awayemyalelwe ngabantakwabo.
16 UYakobi wabona ingubo kaYosefu waza wayiqonda waza wawa ngobuso bakhe emhlabeni, waza wathi cwaka njengelitye, waza emva koko waphakama waza wakhala ngelizwi elikhulu nelikhalayo, wathi, Yingubo yonyana wam uYosefu!
17 Wakhawuleza uYakobi, wathumela omnye wabakhonzi bakhe koonyana bakhe; baya kubo, babafumana besiza endleleni kunye nomhlambi.
18 Bafika oonyana bakaYakobi kuyise ngokuhlwa, nanko iingubo zabo zikrazukile, uthuli luphezu kweentloko zabo, bamfumana uyise ekhala, elila ngelizwi elikhulu.
19 Wathi uYakobi koonyana bakhe, Ndixeleleni ngenene ukuba yintoni na le nto nindenzele yona ngequbuliso namhlanje? Baphendula uYakobi uyise, bathi, Besihamba namhlanje emva kokuba imihlambi iqokelelwe, safika emzini wakwaShekem ngendlela entlango, safumana le ngubo izele ligazi emhlabeni, saza sayazi, saza sathumela kuwe ukuba ubunokwazi.
20 Wathi uYakobi akuweva amazwi oonyana bakhe, wadanduluka ngezwi elikhulu, wathi, Yingubo yonyana wam le, irhamncwa limdlile; uYosefu uqwengiwe; kuba ndimthumile namhla, ukuze abone ukuba uphilile na, nokuba uphilile na, nokuba uphilile na, nempahla emfutshane, andizisele iindaba ezivela kuwe; uhambe njengoko bendimyalele, kwaye oku kuye kwenzeka kuye namhla, ndicinga ukuba unyana wam unawe.
21 Baphendula oonyana bakaYakobi bathi, Akazange eze kuthi, asimbonanga ukususela kwixesha lokumka kwethu kuwe, unangoku.
22 Wathi uYakobi akuweva amazwi abo, wadanduluka kwakhona, wasukuma wazikrazula iingubo zakhe, wazigquma irhonya esinqeni sakhe, walila kabuhlungu, wazila, waphakamisa ilizwi lakhe elila, wadanduluka wathi,
23 Yosefu nyana wam, Owu nyana wam Yosefu, ndikuthumele namhlanje ukuba ulandelise ngempilo-ntle yabantakwenu, kwaye khangela uqwengiwe; oku kwenzeke kunyana wam ngesandla sam.
24 Kundibuhlungu ngenxa yakho Yosefu nyana wam, kundibuhlungu ngenxa yakho; hayi indlela obumnandi ngayo kum ngexesha lobomi, kwaye ngoku hayi indlela okukrakra ngayo ukufa kwakho kum!
25 0 ukuba ndife esikhundleni sakho Yosefu nyana wam, kuba kubuhlungu kum ngenxa yakho nyana wam, Owu nyana wam, nyana wam. Yosefu nyana wam, uphi na, kwaye utsalwe phi? Vuka, vuka endaweni yakho, uze ubone intlungu yam ngenxa yakho, Owu nyana wam Yosefu.
26 Khawuze ubale iinyembezi eziphuma emehlweni am, zize zihla ezidleleni zam, uzinyuse phambi koYehova, ukuze umsindo wakhe ubuye kum.
270 Yosefu nyana wam, wawa njani, ngesandla somntu ongazange awe ngaye ukususela ekuqaleni kwehlabathi kude kube namhlanje; kuba ubulewe ngokubethwa lutshaba, waphathwa ngenkohlakalo, kodwa ngokuqinisekileyo ndiyazi ukuba oku kwenzeke kuwe, ngenxa yobuninzi bezono zam.
28 Vuka ngoku uze ubone ukuba ikrakra kangakanani ingxaki yam ngawe nyana wam, nangona ndingazange ndikukhulise, ndingakubumbanga, ndingakuniki moya nomphefumlo, kodwa nguThixo owakubumbayo waza wakha amathambo akho waza wawagubungela ngenyama, waza waphefumlela emakhaleni akho umoya wobomi, waza wakunika mna.
29 Ngoku ke uThixo okunike mna, ukuthabathile kum, kwaye oku kukwehlele.
30 UYakobi waqhubeka ethetha ngolu hlobo malunga noYosefu, waza walila kabuhlungu; wawa emhlabeni waza wazola.
31 Bonke oonyana bakaYakobi bakubona ukubandezeleka kukayise, bazisola ngoko bakwenzileyo, balila kabuhlungu.
32 Wesuka uYuda, wayiphakamisa intloko kayise emhlabeni, wayibeka esifubeni sakhe, wazisula iinyembezi zikayise ezidleleni zakhe, uYuda walila kakhulu, intloko kayise ibekwe esifubeni sakhe, ingashukumi.
33 Oonyana bakaYakobi bakubona ukubandezeleka kukayise, baphakamisa ilizwi labo, balila; uYakobi wayelele emhlabeni ethe cwaka njengelitye.
34 Bonke oonyana bakhe, nabakhonzi bakhe, nabantwana babakhonzi bakhe, bema ngakuye, ukuze bamthuthuzele; akavumanga ukuthuthuzelwa.
35 Yonke indlu kaYakobi yesuka yaza yalila kakhulu ngenxa kaYosefu nobunzima bukayise, kwaye ulwazi lwafikelela kuIsake, unyana ka-Abraham, uyise kaYakobi, waza walila kabuhlungu ngenxa kaYosefu, yena nayo yonke indlu yakhe, waza wemka apho wayehlala khona eHebron, namadoda akhe ayenaye, waza wamthuthuzela uYakobi unyana wakhe, kwaye wala ukuthuthuzelwa.
36 Emva koko, uYakobi wesuka emhlabeni, iinyembezi zakhe zisihla ezidleleni zakhe, waza wathi koonyana bakhe, Vukani nithabathe amakrele enu nezaphetha zenu, niphume niye endle, nize nifune ukuba ningasifumana na isidumbu sonyana wam nisizise kum ukuze ndisingcwabe.
37 Khangelani kwakhona, ndicela, phakathi kwezilo nizingele, kwaye oko kuza kuqala ngaphambi kokuba nikubambe nikuzise kum, mhlawumbi iNkosi ingayivelana nentlungu yam namhlanje, ize ilungiselele phambi kwenu oko kuqwenge unyana wam, ize ikuzise kum, kwaye ndiya kuyiphindezela ityala lonyana wam.
38 Oonyana bakhe benza njengoko uyise wayebayalele, baza bavuka kusasa, ngamnye wathabatha ikrele lakhe nesaphetha sakhe esandleni sakhe, baza baphuma baya endle ukuya kuzingela izilwanyana.
39 UYakobi wayesalila kakhulu, elila, ehambahamba endlwini, ebetha izandla zakhe, esithi, Yosefu, nyana wam, Yosefu, nyana wam.

40 Oonyana bakaYakobi baya entlango ukuya kubamba izilwanyana, kwaye khangela ingcuka yeza ngakubo, baza bambamba, bamzisa kuyise, baza bathi kuye, Lo ngowokuqala esimfumeneyo, kwaye simzise kuwe njengoko wawusiyalele, kwaye isidumbu sonyana wakho asikwazanga ukusifumana.
41 UYakobi walithabatha irhamncwa ezandleni zoonyana bakhe, waza wadanduluka ngezwi elikhulu nelikhalayo, ephethe irhamncwa esandleni sakhe, waza wathetha ngentliziyo ekrakra kwirhamncwa, Kutheni na umqwengile unyana wam uYosefu, kwaye kutheni ungamoyiki uThixo womhlaba, okanye inkathazo yam ngenxa yonyana wam uYosefu?
42 Kwaye umdlile unyana wam ngelize, kuba engenzanga bundlobongela, waza ngaloo ndlela wandibeka ityala ngenxa yakhe, ngoko ke uThixo uya kumbuza lowo utshutshiswayo.
43 INkosi yavula umlomo werhamncwa ukuze ithuthuzele uYakobi ngamazwi alo, yaza yamphendula uYakobi yathetha la mazwi kuye,
44 Njengoko uThixo ephila owasidalayo emhlabeni, kwaye njengoko umphefumlo wakho uphila, nkosi yam, andimbonanga unyana wakho, kwaye andimkrazulanga, kodwa ndivela kwilizwe elikude ndize kufuna unyana wam ondishiyileyo namhlanje, kwaye andazi nokuba uyaphila okanye ufile.
45 Ndize endle namhlanje ukuza kufuna unyana wam, oonyana bakho bandifumene, bandibamba, bandisa intlungu yam, bandizisa phambi kwakho namhlanje, kwaye ngoku ndithethe onke amazwi am kuwe.
46 Ke ngoko, nyana womntu, ndisezandleni zakho, uze wenze kum namhlanje njengoko kubonakala kulungile emehlweni akho, kodwa ngobomi bukaThixo owandidalayo, andimbonanga unyana wakho, kwaye andimkrazulanga, kwaye nenyama yomntu ayizange ingene emlonyeni wam yonke imihla yobomi bam.
47 Wathi uYakobi akukuva amazwi esilo, wothuka kakhulu, waza wasikhupha eso silo esandleni sakhe, saza sahamba.
48 UYakobi wayesalila kakhulu, elila uYosefu imihla ngemihla, wamlilela unyana wakhe imihla emininzi.

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1 Oonyana bakaIshmayeli, ababemthenge uYosefu kumaMidiyan, ababemthenge kubazalwana bakhe, baya eYiputa noYosefu, baza bafika emideni yaseYiputa, kwaye xa babesondela eYiputa, badibana namadoda amane koonyana bakaMedan unyana ka-Abraham, ababephume kwilizwe laseYiputa besendleleni.
2 Athi amaIshmayeli kubo, Nifuna na ukumthenga lo mkhonzi kuthi? Bathi, Mnikeni kuthi. Bamnikela uYosefu kubo; bambona ukuba ungumntwana omhle kakhulu, bamthenga ngeeshekele ezingamashumi amabini.
3 AmaIshmayeli aqhubeka nohambo lwawo oluya eYiputa, namaMedan nawo abuyela eYiputa ngaloo mini, aza amaMedan athi omnye komnye, Yabonani, sivile ukuba uPotifare, igosa likaFaro, umphathi wabalindi, ufuna isicaka esilungileyo esiza kuma phambi kwakhe ukuze simkhonze, size simenze umphathi wendlu yakhe nayo yonke into yakhe.
4 Ngoko ke yizani simthengisele ngoko sikufunayo, ukuba unako ukusinika oko sikufunayo kuye.
5 Bahamba ke aba baMedan baza baya endlwini kaPotifare, bathi kuye, Sivile ukuba ufuna isicaka esilungileyo sokukukhonza, khangela, sinesicaka esiya kukukholisa, ukuba ungasinika oko sikufunayo, size simthengise kuwe.
6 Wathi uPotifare, Mziseni phambi kwam, ndimbone, ukuba uyandikholisa, ndiya kukunika oko unokukufuna kuye.
7 Ahamba amaMedan, amzisa uYosefu, ambeka phambi kukaPotifare; wambona, wamkholisa kakhulu, wathi kubo, Ndixeleleni, nifuna ntoni na kulo mfana?
8 Bathi, Sifuna amakhulu amane eesilivere kuye, wathi uPotifare, Ndingakunika ukuba undizisele ingxelo yentengiso yakhe kuwe, uze undixelele imbali yakhe, kuba mhlawumbi usenokubiwa, kuba lo mfana akalokhoboka, akalonyana wekhoboka, kodwa ndibona kuye inkangeleko yomntu omhle nomhle.
9 AmaMedan aya kuzisa kuye amaIshmayeli awayemthengise kubo, baza bamxelela besithi, Ulikhoboka kwaye simthengisele kubo.
10 UPotifare weva amazwi amaIshmayeli xa wayenika amaMedan isilivere, amaMedan ayithabatha isilivere aza ahamba, namaIshmayeli nawo abuyela ekhaya.
11 UPotifare wamthabatha uYosefu, wamsa endlwini yakhe, ukuba amkhonze; uYosefu wafumana ubabalo emehlweni kaPotifare, wamthemba, wamenza umveleli wendlu yakhe; zonke izinto zakhe wazinikela esandleni sakhe.
12 UYehova wayenaye uYosefu waza waba yindoda ephumelelayo, waza uYehova wayisikelela indlu kaPotifare ngenxa kaYosefu.
13 UPotifare washiya konke awayenako esandleni sikaYosefu, kwaye uYosefu wayengomnye wabantu ababebangela ukuba izinto zingene kwaye ziphume, kwaye yonke into yayilawulwa ngokweminqweno yakhe endlwini kaPotifare.
14 UYosefu wayeneminyaka elishumi elinesibhozo ubudala, umfana onamehlo amahle nomhle, engangomntu ufana naye kulo lonke ilizwe laseYiputa.
15 Kwathi ngaloo mini, xa wayesendlwini yenkosi yakhe, engena ephuma endlwini, ekhonza inkosi yakhe, uZelika, umfazi wenkosi yakhe, wawaphakamisa amehlo akhe kuYosefu, wambona, wambona, engumfana omhle, emhle imbonakalo.
16 Wanqwenela ubuhle bakhe entliziyweni yakhe, umphefumlo wakhe wanamathela kuYosefu, waza wamhenda imihla ngemihla, uZelika wamcenga uYosefu imihla ngemihla, kodwa uYosefu akazange awaphakamisele amehlo akhe ekumboneni umfazi wenkosi yakhe.
17 Wathi uZelika kuye, Hayi indlela entle ngayo imbonakalo yakho nembonakalo yakho, ndibabonile bonke abakhonzi, andizange ndibone ikhoboka elihle njengawe; waza uYosefu wathi kuye, Ngokuqinisekileyo lowo wandidalayo esizalweni sikamama wadala lonke uluntu.
18 Wathi kuye, Hayi, mahle amehlo akho, owabakhazimlisa ngawo bonke abemi baseYiputa, amadoda nabafazi; wathi kuye, Hayi, mahle abo ngelixa sisaphila, kodwa ukuba ubabona engcwabeni, ngenene ubuya kuphuma kubo.

19 Wathi kuye, Hayi, ukuba zintle, zithandeka, zonke ezo zinto uzithethayo; khawuthabathe uhadi olusendlwini, uludlale ngezandla zakho, sive amazwi akho.
20 Wathi kuye, Hayi indlela amahle namnandi ngayo amazwi am xa ndithetha indumiso kaThixo wam nozuko lwakhe; waza wathi kuye, Hayi indlela ezintle ngayo iinwele zentloko yakho, khangela intlama yegolide esendlwini, ndiyakucela, uyithabathe, ugobe iinwele zentloko yakho.
21 Wathi kuye, Koda kube nini na uthetha la mazwi? Yeka ukundixelela la mazwi, vuka uye kujongana nemicimbi yendlu yakho.
22 Wathi kuye, Akukho mntu endlwini yam, kwaye akukho nto yokuyinyamekela ngaphandle kwamazwi akho nesicelo sakho; nangona konke oku, wayengenakumzisa uYosefu kuye, kwaye akazange ambeke iliso, kodwa wajolisa amehlo akhe phantsi emhlabeni.
23 UZelika wanqwenela uYosefu entliziyweni yakhe ukuba alale naye, kwaye ngexesha uYosefu wayehleli endlwini esenza umsebenzi wakhe, uZelika weza wahlala phambi kwakhe, waza wamhenda imihla ngemihla ngentetho yakhe ukuba alale naye, okanye angaze amjonge, kodwa uYosefu akavumanga ukumphulaphula.
24 Wathi kuye, Ukuba akwenzi ngokwelizwi lam, ndiya kukubetha ngesigwebo sokufa, ndikubeke idyokhwe yesinyithi.
25 UYosefu wathi kuye, Inene uThixo owadala umntu uyawakhulula amakhamandela amabanjwa, kwaye nguye oya kundikhulula entolongweni yakho nakwisigwebo sakho.
26 Akuba engakwazi ukumoyisa, ukumcenga, nomphefumlo wakhe usabambelele kuye, umnqweno wakhe wamfaka kwisifo esibuhlungu.
27 Bonke abafazi baseYiputa beza kumtyelela, bathi kuye, Kutheni na ukuba uphelelwe lithemba kangaka? Wena ungasweli nto; ngokuqinisekileyo indoda yakho yinkosana enkulu nehlonitshwayo emehlweni okumkani, ngaba ungaswela nantoni na efunwa yintliziyo yakho?
28 Waphendula uZelika, wathi, Namhlanje niya kwazi ukuba le ngxubakaxaka nindibona ivela phi na, waza wayalela abakhonzi bakhe ukuba balungiselele bonke abafazi ukutya, wabenzela isidlo, baza bonke abafazi badla endlwini kaZelika.
29 Wabanika iimela zokuxobula iicitron ukuze bazitye, waza wabayalela ukuba bambathise uYosefu iingubo ezixabisekileyo, nokuba avele phambi kwabo, waza uYosefu weza phambi kwamehlo abo kwaye bonke abafazi bajonga uYosefu, abazange bakwazi ukususa amehlo abo kuye, baza bonke bazisika izandla zabo ngeemela ababenazo ezandleni zabo, kwaye zonke iicitron ezazisezandleni zabo zazizele ligazi.
30 Kwaye babengazi ukuba benze ntoni kodwa baqhubeka bejonga ubuhle bukaYosefu, kwaye abazange bamjonge ngamehlo abo.
31 UZelika wakubona oko bakwenzileyo, wathi kubo, Ngumsebenzi mni na lo niwenzileyo? Yabonani, ndininike iicitron ukuba nidle, nina nonke nizinqumle izandla zenu.
32 Bonke abafazi babona izandla zabo, baza khangela zazizele ligazi, negazi labo lathontsiza phezu kweengubo zabo, baza bathi kuye, Eli khoboka endlwini yakho lisoyisile, kwaye besingenakukwazi ukuzisusa iinkophe zethu kuye ngenxa yobuhle bakhe.
33 Wathi kubo, “Ngenene oku kwenzeke kuni kanye xa nimjonga, anikwazanga kuzibamba kuye; ndingathini ke ngoko ukuzibamba xa ehlala esekhaya, ndimbona imihla ngemihla engena ephuma endlwini yam? Ndingathini ke ukuze ndingawi okanye ndingatshabalali ngenxa yoku?”
34 Bathi kuye, La mazwi ayinyaniso, kuba ngubani na onokubona esi sakhiwo sihle endlwini aze azigcine kuye, kwaye akangomkhonzi wakho nomlindi endlwini yakho, kwaye kutheni ungamxeleli oko kusentliziyweni yakho, uze uvumele umphefumlo wakho utshabalale ngenxa yale nto?
35 Wathi kubo, Ndizama yonke imihla ukumcenga, kodwa akayi kuvuma iminqweno yam, kwaye ndimthembise yonke into elungileyo, kodwa andikwazanga kumelana nayo; ngoko ke ndikwimeko yokuwohloka njengoko nibona.
36 UZelika wagula kakhulu ngenxa yokunqwenela kwakhe uYosefu, waza wagula kakhulu ngenxa yakhe, bonke abantu bendlu kaZelika nomyeni wakhe babengazi nto ngale nto, ukuba uZelika wayegula ngenxa yokumthanda kwakhe uYosefu.
37 Bonke abantu bendlu yakhe bambuza besithi, “Kutheni ugula kwaye ubuthathaka, ungasweli nto?” Wathi kubo, “Andiyazi le nto indihlupha imihla ngemihla.”
38 Bonke abafazi nabahlobo bakhe babesiza imihla ngemihla ukuza kumbona, baza bathetha naye, waza wathi kubo, Oku kungenzeka kuphela ngothando lukaYosefu; baza bathi kuye, Mkhohliseni nimbambe ngasese, mhlawumbi angakuphulaphula, aze asuse oku kufa kuni.
39 UZelika waba mandundu ngenxa yothando lwakhe kuYosefu, waqhubeka ewohloka, wada waphelelwa ngamandla okuma.
40 Kwathi ngenye imini uYosefu wayesenza umsebenzi wenkosi yakhe endlwini, waza uZelika weza ngasese waza wawa ngequbuliso phezu kwakhe, waza uYosefu wavukela kuye, waza waba namandla ngaphezu kwakhe, waza wamthoba emhlabeni.
41 UZelika walila ngenxa yesifiso sentliziyo yakhe kuye, waza wambongoza ngokulila, iinyembezi zakhe zehla ezidleleni zakhe, waza wathetha naye ngelizwi lokubongoza nangomphefumlo okrakra, esithi,
42 Wakha weva, wambona okanye wamazi umfazi omhle kangaka njengam, okanye ongcono kunam, othetha nawe imihla ngemihla, ewa ngenxa yothando ngawe, ekunika lonke olu zuko phezu kwakho, kodwa awuvumi ukuliphulaphula ilizwi lam?
43 Ukuba kungenxa yokoyika inkosi yakho ukuba ingakohlwayi, njengoko ukumkani ephila, akukho monakalo uya kukwehlela enkosini yakho ngale nto; ngoku ke, ndiphulaphule, uvume ngenxa yozuko endilunike wena, kwaye ususe oku kufa kum, kwaye kutheni ndifanele ndife ngenxa yakho? Waza wayeka ukuthetha.
44 Waphendula uYosefu, wathi, Musa ukundishiya, ushiye le nto enkosini yam; uyabona, inkosi yam ayazi into endinayo endlwini, kuba yonke into yayo inikelwe esandleni sam; ndingenza njani na ezi zinto endlwini yenkosi yam?
45 Kuba undihloniphile kakhulu endlwini yakhe, wandibeka njengomveleli wendlu yakhe, wandiphakamisa,

akukho mntu mkhulu kunam kule ndlu, kwaye inkosi yam ayindigodlelanga nto, ngaphandle kwakho njengomkayo, ungawathetha njani la mazwi kum, kwaye ndingenza njani obu bubi bukhulu kangaka nesono kuThixo nasendodeni yakho?
46 Ngoko ke yima ecaleni kwam, ungaphindi uthethe la mazwi, kuba andiyi kuwaphulaphula amazwi akho." Kodwa uZelika akazange amphulaphule uYosefu xa wayethetha la mazwi kuye, kodwa wayemcenga imihla ngemihla ukuba amphulaphule.
47 Emva koko umlambo waseYiputa wagcwala ngaphezu kwawo onke amacala awo, kwaye bonke abemi baseYiputa baphuma, kwaye nokumkani neenkosana baphuma bephethe iingqongqo kunye nemidaniso, kuba yayiyimihlali enkulu eYiputa, kwaye yayiyiholide ngexesha lokuzaliswa kolwandle iSihor, kwaye baya apho ukuze bagcobe imini yonke.
48 Xa amaYiputa ayephuma esiya emlanjeni ukuze ayonwaba, njengoko kwakusisiqhelo, bonke abantu bendlu kaPotifare bahamba nabo, kodwa uZelika akazange avume ukuhamba nabo, kuba wathi, Andinamdla, waza wahlala yedwa endlwini, kungekho mntu ungomnye endlwini.
49 Wavuka waya etempileni yakhe endlwini, waza wanxiba iimpahla zobukhosi, waza wabeka phezu kwentloko yakhe amatye anqabileyo e-onyx, agqunywe ngesilivere negolide, waza wahombisa ubuso bakhe nolusu lwakhe ngazo zonke iintlobo zezinto zokuhlambulula zabafazi, waza waqhola itempile nendlu ngekasiya nentlaka, waza wathambisa imore ne-alo, waza emva koko wahlala emnyango wetempile, endleleni yendlu, apho uYosefu wayedlula khona ukuze enze umsebenzi wakhe, waza wabona uYosefu evela entsimini, waza wangena endlwini ukuze enze umsebenzi wenkosi yakhe.
50 Wafika kwindawo awayemele adlule kuyo, wabona wonke umsebenzi kaZelika, waza wajika.
51 UZelika wabona uYosefu ebuya kuye, wambiza, esithi, Ukhathazwa yintoni na Yosefu? Yiza emsebenzini wakho, kwaye khangela, ndiya kukunika indawo ude udlule esihlalweni sakho.
52 Wabuya uYosefu waza weza endlwini, waza wadlula apho waya kwindawo yakhe yokuhlala, wahlala phantsi ukuze enze umsebenzi wenkosi yakhe njengesiqhelo, nanko uZelika weza kuye waza wema phambi kwakhe enxibe iimpahla zobukhosi, kwaye ivumba leempahla zakhe lalisasazeka kude.
53 Wakhawuleza wambamba uYosefu neengubo zakhe, waza wathi kuye, Njengoko ukumkani ehleli ukuba awuyi kuyenza isicelo sam uya kufa namhlanje, wakhawuleza wolula esinye isandla sakhe waza warhola ikrele phantsi kweengubo zakhe, walibeka entanyeni kaYosefu, waza wathi, Vuka uze wenze isicelo sam, kwaye ukuba akunjalo uya kufa namhlanje.
54 UYosefu woyika ngenxa yokwenza kwakhe oku, wasukuma ukubaleka kuye, wabamba ingubo yakhe yangaphambili, waza ngenxa yokoyika ukubaleka kwakhe, ingubo awayeyithathile uZelika yakrazulwa, waza uYosefu wayishiya ingubo esandleni sikaZelika, wabaleka waphuma, kuba wayesoyika.
55 Wathi uZelika akubona ukuba ingubo kaYosefu ikrazukile, nokuba uyishiyile esandleni sakhe, wabaleka, woyika ubomi bakhe, hleze ingxelo isasazeke ngaye, wasukuma wenza ngobuqhetseba, wakhulula iingubo awayezinxibile, wanxiba ezinye iingubo zakhe.
56 Waza wathabatha ingubo kaYosefu, wayibeka ecaleni kwakhe, waya kuhlala kwindawo awayehleli kuyo egula, ngaphambi kokuba abantu bendlu yakhe baphume baye emlanjeni, wabiza inkwenkwe eyayisendlwini ngelo xesha, waza wayiyalela ukuba ibizele abantu bendlu kuye.
57 Akubabona, wathi kubo ngezwi elikhulu nesijwili, Yabonani, umHebhere undizisele ntoni na inkosi yenu endlwini, kuba ize kundilala namhla.
58 Kuba xa niphumile weza endlwini, waza wabona ukuba akukho mntu endlwini, weza kum, wandibamba, ngenjongo yokulala nam.
59 Ndaza ndathabatha iingubo zakhe ndazikrazula ndaza ndamemeza nxamnye naye ngelizwi elikhulu, ndaza ndathi ndakuphakamisa ilizwi lam woyika ubomi bakhe waza washiya ingubo yakhe phambi kwam, wabaleka.
60 Abantu bendlu yakhe abazange bathethe nto, kodwa umsindo wabo wavutha kakhulu kuYosefu, baza baya enkosini yakhe bamxelela amazwi obuqhopholo bakhe.
61 Wabuya uPotifare ekhaya enomsindo, umkakhe wamemeza kuye, esithi, Yintoni na le undenze yona ngokuzisa isicaka endlwini yam, kuba size kum namhlanje ukuza kudlala nam; wenze njalo kum namhlanje.
62 UPotifare weva amazwi omkakhe, waza wayalela ukuba uYosefu atshaywe ngemivumbo enzima, baza benjenjalo kuye.
63 Kwathi xa babembetha, uYosefu wadanduluka ngelizwi elikhulu, waza waphakamisa amehlo akhe ezulwini, wathi, Owu Nkosi Thixo, uyazi ukuba ndimsulwa kuzo zonke ezi zinto, kwaye kutheni ndiza kufa namhlanje ngenxa yobuxoki, ngesandla saba bantu bangendawo bangalukanga, obaziyo?
64 Ngelixa amadoda kaPotifare ayembetha uYosefu, waqhubeka ekhala kwaye elila, kwaye kwakukho umntwana apho oneenyanga ezilishumi elinanye ubudala, kwaye iNkosi yawuvula umlomo womntwana, waza wathetha la mazwi phambi kwamadoda kaPotifare, awayembetha uYosefu, esithi,
65 Ufuna ntoni kule ndoda, kwaye kutheni niyenza le nto imbi kangaka? Umama uthetha ubuxoki kwaye uxoka; yayinjalo ke loo nto.
66 Umntwana wabaxelela ngokuchanekileyo konke okwenzekileyo, waza wabaxelela yonke into uZelika awayithethayo kuYosefu imihla ngemihla.
67 Kwaye onke amadoda eva amazwi omntwana aza amangaliswa kakhulu ngamazwi omntwana, waza umntwana wayeka ukuthetha waza wathi cwaka.
68 UPotifare waba neentloni kakhulu ngamazwi onyana wakhe, waza wayalela amadoda akhe ukuba angaphindi ambethe uYosefu, aza amadoda ayeka ukumbetha uYosefu.
69 UPotifare wamthabatha uYosefu waza wayalela ukuba aziswe phambi kwababingeleli, ababengabagwebi bokumkani, ukuze bamgwebe ngalo mba.
70 UPotifare noYosefu beza phambi kwababingeleli ababengabagwebi bokumkani, waza wathi kubo, Ndicela ukuba nigqibe ukuba yeyiphi na isigwebo esifanele umkhonzi, kuba wenjenjalo.
71 Ababingeleli bathi kuYosefu, Kutheni na niyenzile le nto enkosini yenu? UYosefu wabaphendula, esithi, Akunjalo zinkosi zam, le nto yenzekile; wathi uPotifare

kuYosefu, Ndiyinikele ezandleni zakho yonke into yam, kwaye andikufihlelanga nto ngaphandle komfazi wam, kwaye ungawenza njani lo mbi?
72 Waphendula uYosefu wathi, Makungabi njalo, nkosi yam, ehleli nje uYehova, uhleli nje umphefumlo wakho, nkosi yam, ilizwi olivileyo kumkakho aliyonyaniso; kuba le nto yenzekile namhla.
73 Sele kudlule unyaka kum ukusukela oko ndisendlwini yakho; ngaba ubone naluphi na uhlobo lobubi kum, okanye nantoni na enokubangela ukuba ufune ubomi bam?
74 Ababingeleli bathi kuPotifare, Khawuthumele, masizise ingubo kaYosefu ekrazukileyo phambi kwethu, size sibone ukukrazuka kwayo, kwaye ukuba kuthe kwenzeka ukuba ikrazuke phambi kwengubo, ubuso bakhe bumele ukuba bujonge kuye kwaye umele ukuba wambamba, ukuze eze kuye, kwaye umfazi wakho wenza konke akuthethileyo ngenkohliso.
75 Baza bazisa ingubo kaYosefu phambi kwababingeleli ababengabagwebi, baza babona kwaye qaphela ukuba iinyembezi zaziphambi kukaYosefu, baza bonke ababingeleli abagwebi bazi ukuba wayemcinezele, baza bathi, Isigwebo sokufa asifanele eli khoboka kuba alenzanga nto, kodwa isigwebo salo kukuba lifakwe entolongweni ngenxa yengxelo, ephume ngaye nxamnye nomfazi wakho.
76 UPotifare weva amazwi abo, wambeka entolongweni, apho amabanjwa okumkani ayevalelwe khona, uYosefu wahlala endlwini yokugcinwa iminyaka elishumi elinesibini.
77 Nangona kunjalo, umfazi wenkosi yakhe akazange amshiye, kwaye akazange ayeke ukuthetha naye imihla ngemihla ukuze amphulaphule, kwaye ekupheleni kweenyanga ezintathu uZelika waqhubeka esiya kuYosefu endlwini yokuvalelwa imihla ngemihla, waza wamhenda ukuba amphulaphule, waza uZelika wathi kuYosefu, Uya kuhlala ixesha elingakanani kule ndlu? Kodwa phulaphula ngoku ilizwi lam, kwaye ndiya kukukhupha kule ndlu.
78 Waphendula uYosefu, esithi, Kulungile ukuba ndihlale kule ndlu kunokuba ndiphulaphule amazwi akho, ndone kuThixo; wathi kuye, Ukuba awuyi kuyenza into endiyicelayo, ndiya kukukrazula amehlo akho, ndongeze amakhamandela ezinyaweni zakho, ndikunikele ezandleni zabo ubungabazi ngaphambili.
79 UYosefu wamphendula wathi, Yabona, uThixo wehlabathi lonke unako ukundihlangula kuko konke onokukwenza kum, kuba uvula amehlo eemfama, aze akhulule abo bavalelweyo, aze agcine bonke abantu basemzini abangaqhelananga nelizwe.
80 Xa uZelika wayengakwazi ukumcenga uYosefu ukuba amphulaphule, wayeka ukuya kumcenga; kwaye uYosefu wayesavalelwe endlwini yokuvalelwa. UYakobi uyise kaYosefu, nabo bonke abazalwana bakhe ababesezweni laseKanan babesalila kwaye belila ngaloo mihla ngenxa kaYosefu, kuba uYakobi wala ukuthuthuzelwa ngonyana wakhe uYosefu, kwaye uYakobi wakhala kakhulu, kwaye walila kwaye walila yonke loo mihla.

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1 Kwathi ngelo xesha, ngaloo mnyaka, wokwehla kukaYosefu eYiputa, emveni kokuba abazalwana bakhe bemthengisile, waya uRubhen, unyana kaYakobi, eTimna, wazeka uEliuram, intombi ka-Abhi, umKanan, ukuba abe ngumkakhe; wamngena.
2 UEliuram, umkaRubhen, wamitha, wamzalela uHanoki, noPalu, noHetseron, noKarmi, oonyana abane; uSimeyon umntakwabo wathabatha uDina, udade wabo, waba ngumfazi wakhe; waza yena wamzalela uMemuweli, noYamin, noOhadi, noYakin, noZokare, oonyana abahlanu.
3 Emva koko wafika kuBuna umfazi ongumKanan, lowo nguBuna owathinjwa nguSimeyon kwisixeko saseShekem, kwaye uBuna wayephambi kukaDina waza wamlungiselela, waza uSimeyon weza kuye, waza wamzalela uSawule.
4 UYuda waya eAdulam ngelo xesha, wafika kwindoda yaseAdulam, egama linguHira; uYuda wabona apho intombi yendoda yakwaKanan, egama linguAliyati, intombi kaShuwa; wayithabatha, waya kuyo; uAliyati wamzalela uYuda, uEre, no-Onan, noShilo; oonyana abathathu.
5 ULevi noIsakare baya kwilizwe lasempuma, baza bazithabathela abafazi iintombi zikaYobhabhi unyana kaYokatan, unyana kaEbhere; uYobhabhi unyana kaYokatan wayeneentombi ezimbini; igama lenkulu yayinguAdina, igama lencinci linguArida.
6 ULevi wathabatha uAdina, uIsakare wathabatha uArida, bafika ezweni lakwaKanan, endlwini yooyise, uAdina wazala uLevi, noGershon, noKehati, noMerari; oonyana abathathu.
7 UArida wamzalela uIsakare uTola, noPuwa, noYobhi, noShomron, oonyana abane; uDan waya ezweni lakwaMowabhi, wathabatha uAfelete, intombi kaHamudan, umMowabhikazi, ukuba abe ngumfazi wakhe, wamsa ezweni lakwaKanan.
8 UAfelete wayengenabantwana, engenamntwana, waza uThixo wamkhumbula uAfelete, umkaDan; wamitha, wazala unyana, wamthiya igama elinguKushim.
9 UGadi noNafetali baya kwaHaran baza bathabatha apho iintombi zika-Amuram unyana ka-Utse, unyana kaNahore, ukuba zibe ngabafazi.
10 La ngamagama eentombi zika-Amuram; igama lenkulu yayinguMerima, negama lencinci linguUziti; uNafetali wathabatha uMerima, noGadi wathabatha uUziti; waza wabazisa kwilizwe lakwaKanan, endlwini kayise.
11 UMerima wazala uNafetali, uYatseli, noGuni, noYazere, noShalem, oonyana abane; u-Uziti wazala uGadi uZefion, noHagi, noShuni, noEzbon, noEri, noArodi, noArali, oonyana abasixhenxe.
12 UAshere waphuma, wazeka uAdon, intombi ka-Afelali, unyana kaHadadi, unyana kaIshmayeli, ukuba abe ngumkakhe; wamsa ezweni lakwaKanan.
13 Wafa uAdon, umka-Ashere, ngaloo mihla; wayengenamntwana; kwathi emva kokufa kuka-Adon, uAshere waya ngaphesheya koMlambo, wathabatha umfazi uHadura, intombi ka-Abhimayeli, unyana ka-Ebhere, unyana kaShem.
14 Le ntombazana yayintle ngembonakalo, inengqondo; yayingumfazi kaMalkiyeli unyana kaElam, unyana kaShem.
15 UHadura wamzalela intombi uMalekiyeli, wayithiya igama elinguSeraki, waza uMalekiyeli wafa emva koko, waza uHadura waya kuhlala endlwini kayise.
16 Emva kokufa komfazi kwa-Ashere, waya wathabatha uHadura njengomfazi, wamsa ezweni lakwaKanan,

noSeraki intombi yakhe, wahamba nabo, eneminyaka emithathu ubudala; yaza intombi yakhuliswa endlwini kaYakobi.
17 Le ntombazana yayintle kakhulu, yahamba ngeendlela ezingcwele zoonyana bakaYakobi; yayingaswelanga nto, kwaye uYehova wayinika ubulumko nokuqonda.
18 UHadura, umka-Ashere, wamitha, wamzalela uImna, noIshva, noIshvi, noBheriya; oonyana abane.
19 UZebhulon waya kwaMidiyan, wazeka uMerisha, intombi kaMoladi, unyana ka-Abhida, unyana kaMidiyan, ukuba abe ngumkakhe, wamsa ezweni lakwaKanan.
20 UMerusha wazala uZebhulon, uSerede, noElon, noYaleli; oonyana abathathu.
21 UYakobi wathumela ku-Aram, unyana kaTsobha, unyana kaTera, wathabatha uBhenjamin, intombi ka-Aram, ukuba ibe ngunyana wakhe; wafika ezweni lakwaKanan endlwini kaYakobi; uBhenjamin wayeneminyaka elishumi ubudala xa wathabatha uMekaliya intombi ka-Aram ukuba ibe ngumfazi wakhe.
22 UMekaliya wamitha, wazala oonyana abahlanu kuBhenjamin, uBhela, uBhekere, uAshbhele, uGera, noNahaman; emva koko uBhenjamin wathabatha uAribhati, intombi kaShomron, unyana ka-Abraham, ukuba abe ngumfazi wakhe, ukongeza kumfazi wakhe wokuqala, kwaye wayeneminyaka elishumi elinesibhozo ubudala; uAribhati wazala uBhenjamin uAki, uVosh, uMupim, uChupim, noOrd; oonyana abahlanu.
23 Ngaloo mihla uYuda waya endlwini kaShem, wathabatha uTamare, intombi kaElam, unyana kaShem, ukuba abe ngumfazi kaEre, amazibulo akhe.
24 UEre waya kuTamare umfazi wakhe, waba ngumkakhe, waza wafika kuye watshabalalisa imbewu yakhe ngaphandle, kwaye umsebenzi wakhe waba mbi emehlweni eNkosi, waza uYehova wambulala.
25 Kwathi emva kokufa kukaEre, izibulo likaYuda, wathi uYuda kuOnan, Yiya kumfazi womnakwenu, umzeke abe ngumhlobo womntakwabo, umvelisele imbewu umnakwenu.
26 UOnan wathabatha uTamare njengomfazi waza weza kuye, noOnan wenza njengomsebenzi womntakwabo, kwaye umsebenzi wakhe wawumbi emehlweni eNkosi, waza wambulala naye.
27 Akufa uOnan, uYuda wathi kuTamare, Hlala endlwini kayihlo, ade akhule uShilo unyana wam, uYuda akasathandanga kuTamare ukumnika uShilo, kuba wathi, Mhlawumbi naye angafa njengabantakwabo.
28 Wasuka uTamare, waya kuhlala endlwini kayise, uTamare wahlala endlwini kayise okwethutyana.
29 Kwathi ngexesha lotshintsho lonyaka, uAliyati umfazi kaYuda wafa; waza uYuda wathuthuzelwa ngenxa yomfazi wakhe, emva kokufa kukaAliyati, uYuda wenyuka nomhlobo wakhe uHira baya eTimna ukuya kucheba izimvu zabo.
30 Weva uTamare ukuba uYuda uye eTimna ukuya kucheba iigusha, nokuba iShilo ikhulile, uYuda wayengayithandi loo nto.
31 Wasuka uTamare, wazikhulula iingubo zakhe zobuhlolokazi, wazigquma ngesigqubuthelo, wazigquma, waya kuhlala endleleni yasesidlangalaleni, esendleleni eya eTimna.
32 UJuda wadlula waza wambona, wamthabatha, wangena kuye, wamitha, waza ngexesha lokuzala kwakhe, kwabonakala amawele esibelekweni sakhe, waza wamthiya igama lowokuqala ngokuthi nguPeretse, nowesibini wathi nguZera.

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1 Ngaloo mihla uYosefu wayesavalelwe entolongweni ezweni laseYiputa.
2 Ngelo xesha abakhonzi bakaFaro babemi phambi kwakhe, intloko yabangcamli kunye nentloko yababhaki bokumkani waseYiputa.
3 Umngcamli wathabatha iwayini, wayibeka phambi kokumkani ukuba asele, nombhaki wesonka wabeka phambi kokumkani ukuba adle, wasela ke ukumkani iwayini, wadla isonka, yena nabakhonzi bakhe, nabalungiseleli ababesidla etafileni yokumkani.
4 Kwathi besadla, besela, umngcamli nomoji wezonka bahlala apho; abakhonzi bakaFaro bafumana iimpukane ezininzi ewayinini, ezaziziswe ngumngcamli, kwafunyanwa namatye e-nitre kwisonka somngcamli.
5 Umthetheli wabasiki wamenza uYosefu ukuba abe ngumlungiseleli wabakhonzi bakaFaro; ababusi bakaFaro bagcinwa apho unyaka wonke.
6 Kwathi ekupheleni konyaka, bobabini baphupha amaphupha ngabusuku bunye, bevalelwe entolongweni apho babevalelwe khona, kwathi kusasa weza kubo uYosefu, ukuba abajonge njengesiqhelo; wababona, ubuso babo buthe matshamatsha, bedanile.
7 UYosefu wababuza wathi: “Kutheni ubuso benu bubuhlungu kwaye bubuhlungu namhlanje?” Bathi kuye: “Siphuphe iphupha, kodwa akukho mntu unokulichaza.” Wathi uYosefu kubo: “Ndixeleleni iphupha lenu, aze uThixo aninike impendulo yoxolo njengoko nifuna.”
8 Umngcamli wamxelela uYosefu iphupha lakhe, wathi, Ndibone ephupheni lam, nanko umdiliya omkhulu phambi kwam, kwaye kuloo mdiliya ndibone amasebe amathathu, kwaye umdiliya wadubula ngokukhawuleza waza wafikelela ekuphakameni okukhulu, kwaye izihloko zawo zavuthwa zaba ziidiliya.
9 Ndazithabatha iidiliya, ndazixovula ngendebe, ndazibeka esandleni sikaFaro, wasela; wathi uYosefu kuye, Amasebe amathathu asemdiliyeni yimihla emithathu.
10 Kungekapheli iintsuku ezintathu, ukumkani uya kuyalela ukuba ukhutshwe aze akubuyisele kwisikhundla sakho, uze umnike ukumkani iwayini yakhe njengasekuqaleni xa wawungumngcamli wakhe; kodwa mandifumane ubabalo emehlweni akho, undikhumbule kuFaro xa izinto zilungile kuwe, uze undenzele ububele, undikhuphe kule ntolongo, kuba ndabiwa kwilizwe laseKanan ndaza ndathengiswa njengekhoboka kule ndawo.
11 Kananjalo loo nto uyixelelweyo ngomfazi wenkosi yam bubuxoki, kuba bandifake kweli jele lingenanto; umngcamli wamphendula uYosefu, wathi, Ukuba ukumkani undiphathele okulungileyo njengakuqala, njengoko wandityhilela okokugqibela, ndiya kukwenza konke okufunayo, ndikukhuphe kweli jele.
12 Umpheki wezonka wabona ukuba uYosefu ulitolikile kakuhle iphupha lomphathi wewayini, naye wasondela, wamxelela uYosefu lonke iphupha lakhe.

13 Wathi kuye, Ephupheni lam ndibone iingobozi ezintathu ezimhlophe entlokweni yam, ndaza ndabona, nanko engobozini ephezulu kukho zonke iintlobo zenyama ebhakiweyo kaFaro, kwaye nanko iintaka zisidla entlokweni yam.
14 Wathi uYosefu kuye, Iingobozi ezintathu ozibonileyo ziintsuku ezintathu; kungekadluli iintsuku ezintathu, uFaro uya kuyisusa intloko yakho, akuxhome emthini; iintaka ziyidle inyama yakho, njengoko ubonileyo ephupheni lakho.
15 Ngaloo mihla ukumkanikazi wayeza kuzalwa, waza ngaloo mini wamzalela unyana ukumkani waseYiputa, baza bavakalisa ukuba ukumkani ufumene unyana wakhe wokuqala kwaye bonke abantu baseYiputa kunye namagosa nabakhonzi bakaFaro bavuya kakhulu.
16 Ngomhla wesithathu wokuzalwa kwakhe uFaro wenzela abathetheli bakhe nabakhonzi bakhe isidlo, umkhosi welizwe laseTsohare nelizwe laseYiputa.
17 Bonke abantu baseYiputa, nabakhonzi bakaFaro, beza kudla, basele nokumkani emthendelekweni wonyana wakhe, bavuya ngenxa yovuyo lokumkani.
18 Bonke abaphathi bokumkani nabakhonzi bakhe babevuya ngelo xesha iintsuku ezisibhozo emgidini, bevuya ngazo zonke iintlobo zezixhobo zomculo, ngeengqongqo nangomngqungqo endlwini yokumkani iintsuku ezisibhozo.
19 Umphathi wewayini, lowo uYosefu wayemtolikele iphupha lakhe, wamlibala uYosefu, kwaye akazange amkhankanye kukumkani njengoko wayethembisile, kuba le nto yayivela kuYehova ukuze imohlwaye uYosefu kuba wayethembele ebantwini.
20 Emva koko uYosefu wahlala entolongweni iminyaka emibini, wada wagqiba iminyaka elishumi elinambini.

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1 UIsake, unyana ka-Abraham, wayesahleli ezweni lakwaKanan ngaloo mihla, eselekhulile kakhulu, eneminyaka elikhulu elinamanci asibhozo ubudala. UEsawu, unyana wakhe, umntakwabo Yakobi, wayehlala ezweni lakwaEdom, yena noonyana bakhe babenomhlaba phakathi koonyana bakaSehire.
2 Weva uEsawu ukuba ixesha likayise lisondele lokufa, wafika yena noonyana bakhe nendlu yakhe ezweni lakwaKanan, endlwini kayise. UYakobi noonyana bakhe baphuma apho babehlala khona eHebron, bafika bonke kuIsake uyise, bamfumana uEsawu noonyana bakhe ententeni.
3 UYakobi noonyana bakhe bahlala phantsi phambi koyise uIsake, uYakobi esamlilela unyana wakhe uYosefu.
4 Wathi uIsake kuYakobi, Ndizise apha oonyana bakho, ndibasikelele; uYakobi wabazisa oonyana bakhe abalishumi elinanye phambi koyise uIsake.
5 UIsake wabeka izandla zakhe phezu kwabo bonke oonyana bakaYakobi, wababamba, wabagona, wababanga ngamnye ngamnye, waza uIsake wabasikelela ngaloo mini, wathi kubo, Ngamana uThixo wooyihlo anganisikelela, andise imbewu yenu njengeenkwenkwezi zezulu, inani layo.
6 UIsake wabasikelela oonyana bakaEsawu, esithi, Ngamana uThixo anganinika uloyiko noloyiko kubo bonke abakubonayo, nakubo bonke abachasayo.
7 UIsake wabiza uYakobi noonyana bakhe, baza bonke beza bahlala phambi kukaIsake, wathi uIsake kuYakobi, UYehova uThixo wehlabathi lonke uthe kum, Ndiya kuyinika imbewu yakho eli lizwe libe lilifa, ukuba oonyana bakho bayayigcina imimiselo yam neendlela zam, ndize ndibazalise isifungo endasifungayo kuAbraham uyihlo.
8 Ngoko ke nyana wam, fundisa abantwana bakho nabantwana boonyana bakho ukumoyika uYehova, nokuhamba ngendlela elungileyo eya kumkholisa uYehova uThixo wakho, kuba ukuba uzigcina iindlela zikaYehova nemimiselo yakhe, uYehova uya kuwugcina nawe umnqophiso wakhe noAbraham, akwenzele okulungileyo wena nembewu yakho yonke imihla.
9 Kwathi, akugqiba uIsake ukuyalela uYakobi noonyana bakhe, waphuma umphefumlo, wafa, wahlanganiselwa kubantu bakowabo.
10 UYakobi noEsawu bawa ebusweni bukaIsake uyise, balila, uIsake wayeneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi asibhozo ubudala xa wafayo ezweni lakwaKanan, eHebron, baza oonyana bakhe bamthwala bamsa emqolombeni waseMakapela, owawuthengwe nguAbraham kubantwana bakwaHeti ukuba ube yindawo yokungcwaba.
11 Bonke ookumkani belizwe lakwaKanan baya kungcwaba uIsake noYakobi noEsawu, baza bonke ookumkani bakwaKanan bamzukisa kakhulu uIsake ekufeni kwakhe.
12 Oonyana bakaYakobi noonyana bakaEsawu bahamba bengenazimbadada, behamba belila, bada bafika eKiriyati-arba.
13 UYakobi noEsawu bamngcwaba uIsake uyise emqolombeni waseMakapela, oseKireyati-arba, eHebron; bamngcwaba ngembeko enkulu kakhulu, njengasemngcwabeni wookumkani.
14 UYakobi noonyana bakhe, uEsawu noonyana bakhe, nookumkani bonke baseKanan benza isililo esikhulu nesinzima, bamngcwaba, bamlilela imihla emininzi.
15 Ekufeni kukaIsake, washiya iinkomo zakhe nezinto zakhe nazo zonke izinto zakhe koonyana bakhe; waza uEsawu wathi kuYakobi, Khawubone, konke okushiyekileyo kubawo siza kuyahlulahlula kube zizabelo ezibini, kwaye ndiya kuba nokukhetha, waza uYakobi wathi, Siza kwenza njalo.
16 UYakobi wathabatha yonke into awayeyishiyile uIsake ezweni lakwaKanan, iinkomo, nempahla, wazibeka phambi koEsawu noonyana bakhe, wathi kuEsawu, Yabona, konke oku kuphambi kwakho; zikhethele wena isiqingatha oza kusithabatha.
17 Wathi uYakobi kuEsawu, Khawuve into endiya kuyithetha kuwe, ndisithi, UYehova uThixo wamazulu nehlabathi uthethe koobawo bethu uAbraham noIsake, esithi, Ndiya kuyinika imbewu yakho eli lizwe, libe lilifa ngonaphakade.
18 Ngoku ke konke okushiywe ngubawo kuphambi kwakho, kwaye nanku lonke ilizwe liphambi kwakho; khetha kubo oko ukufunayo.
19 Ukuba unqwenela ukuba ilizwe lonke lithathele wena nabantwana bakho ngonaphakade, kwaye mna ndiya kuthatha obu butyebi, kwaye ukuba unqwenela, ubutyebi

buthathele kuwe, kwaye ndiya kuthatha eli lizwe libe lelam nabantwana bam ukuze balidle ilifa ngonaphakade.
20 Ke kaloku uNebhayoti, unyana kaIshmayeli, wayekwelo lizwe kunye nabantwana bakhe, waza uEsawu waya ngaloo mini, wabuza kuye, esithi.
21 Uthethe njalo kum uYakobi, wandiphendula ngolu hlobo, khawunike icebiso lakho, size sive.
22 Wathi uNebhayoti, Yintoni na le ayithethileyo kuwe uYakobi? Khangela bonke abantwana baseKanan bahlala ngokukhuselekileyo elizweni labo, kwaye uYakobi uthi uya kulidla ilifa kunye nembewu yakhe yonke imihla.
23 Hamba ngoku, uthabathe bonke ubutyebi bukayihlo, umshiye uYakobi umntakwenu ezweni, njengoko ethethile.
24 Wesuka uEsawu, wabuyela kuYakobi, wenza konke uNebhayoti unyana kaIshmayeli abekucebisile; uEsawu wathabatha bonke ubutyebi uIsake awayebushiyile, imiphefumlo, izilwanyana, iinkomo, nempahla, nayo yonke ingcebo; akamnikanga nto umntakwabo uYakobi; uYakobi walithabatha lonke ilizwe lakwaKanan, ukususela emlanjeni waseYiputa ukuya emlanjeni iEfrati, walithabatha laba lilifa elingunaphakade, nelabantwana bakhe, nelembewu yakhe emva kwakhe ngonaphakade.
25 UYakobi wawuthabatha umqolomba waseMakapela, oseHebron, kuEsawu umntakwabo, awawuthengayo uAbraham kuEfron, ukuba ube yindawo yokungcwaba yena nembewu yakhe ngonaphakade.
26 UYakobi wazibhala zonke ezi zinto kwincwadi yokuthenga, waza wayisayina, waza wangqina konke oku ngamangqina amane athembekileyo.
27 Kwaye la ngamazwi uYakobi awawabhalayo encwadini, esithi: Ilizwe laseKanan nazo zonke izixeko zamaHeti, amaHivi, amaYebhusi, ama-Amori, amaPerizi, namaGergashi, zonke iintlanga ezisixhenxe ukususela emlanjeni waseYiputa ukuya emlanjeni i-Efrati.
28 UYakobi wathenga iKireyati-arbha, umzi waseHebron, nomqolomba okuwo, zonke ezo zinto kuEsawu umntakwabo, ngexabiso, zibe lilifa nelifa lembewu yakhe emva kwakhe ngonaphakade.
29 UYakobi wathabatha incwadi yokuthenga, nomqondiso, nomyalelo, nemimiselo, nencwadi etyhiliweyo, wazifaka esityeni sodongwe ukuze zihlale ixesha elide, waza wazinikela ezandleni zabantwana bakhe.
30 UEsawu wathabatha konke uyise awayekushiyele umntakwabo emva kokufa kwakhe, wathabatha yonke impahla, ebantwini nasezilwanyaneni, kwiinkamela, nakwiesile, kwiinkomo, nakwiimvana, kwisilivere, nakwigolide, ngamatye, nakwibhedola, nako konke ubutyebi obabungobukaIsake unyana ka-Abraham; akwasala nto uEsawu angazange ayithabathele kuye, kuko konke uIsake awayekushiye emva kokufa kwakhe.
31 UEsawu wathabatha konke oku, waza yena nabantwana bakhe babuyela ekhaya kwilizwe laseSeyire umHori, kude nomntakwabo uYakobi nabantwana bakhe.
32 UEsawu waba nelifa phakathi koonyana bakaSehire; uEsawu akabuyelanga ezweni lakwaKanan ukususela ngaloo mini.
33 Lonke ilizwe laseKanan laba lilifa loonyana bakaSirayeli, libe lilifa elingunaphakade, uEsawu, kunye nabo bonke abantwana bakhe, balidla ilifa intaba yaseSehire.

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1 Ngaloo mihla, emva kokufa kukaIsake, uYehova wawisa umthetho, wabangela indlala kulo lonke ilizwe.
2 Ngelo xesha uFaro ukumkani waseYiputa wayehleli etroneni yakhe ezweni laseYiputa, elele ebhedini yakhe, waphupha amaphupha; waza uFaro wabona ephupheni lakhe ukuba wayemi ecaleni koMlambo iNayile.
3 Emi apho, wabona iimazi zeenkomo ezisixhenxe ezityebileyo nezintle ziphuma emlanjeni.
4 Kwaphuma ezinye iimazi ezisixhenxe ezibhityileyo nezimbi emva kwazo; zaza ezo zisixhenxe zimbi zaginya ezo zilungileyo, kodwa zazingabonakali zimbi njengakuqala.
5 Wavuka, walala kwakhona, waphupha okwesibini, wabona izikhwebu ezisixhenxe ziphuma eluthini olunye, zityebile, zilungile; nezikhwebu ezisixhenxe ezibhityileyo, ezitshileyo ngumoya wasempumalanga, zahluma emva kwazo; izikhwebu ezibhityileyo zaginya ezizeleyo; wavuka uFaro ephupheni lakhe.
6 Kwathi kusasa ukumkani wawakhumbula amaphupha akhe, wakhathazeka kakhulu ngenxa yamaphupha akhe, waza ukumkani wakhawuleza wathumela, wabiza bonke abakhafuli baseYiputa, nezilumko, beza bema phambi koFaro.
7 Wathi ukumkani kubo, Ndiphuphe amaphupha, akukho mntu unokuwatolika; bathi kukumkani, Xelela abakhonzi bakho amaphupha akho, masiwave.
8 Ukumkani wabaxelela amaphupha akhe, baza bonke baphendula bathi ngazwi linye kukumkani, Makaphile ukumkani ngonaphakade; nantsi intsingiselo yamaphupha akho.
9 Iimazi zeenkomo ezisixhenxe ezintle ozibonileyo zimela iintombi ezisixhenxe eziya kuzalwa kuwe ngemihla yokugqibela, kwaye iimazi zeenkomo ezisixhenxe ozibonileyo zinyuka emva kwazo, zaza zaziginya, zingumqondiso wokuba iintombi eziya kuzalwa kuwe ziya kufa zonke ngexesha lokudla ubomi kokumkani.
10 Kwaye oko ukubonileyo kwiphupha lesibini lezikhwebu ezisixhenxe ezilungileyo nezizeleyo ziphuma kwisiqu esinye, nantsi ingcaciso yazo, yokuba uza kuzakhela imizi esixhenxe kwimihla yokugqibela kulo lonke ilizwe laseYiputa; kwaye oko ukubonileyo kwezikhwebu ezisixhenxe ezitshisiweyo ziphuma emva kwazo kwaye ziginye ngelixa uzibona ngamehlo akho, luphawu lokuba izixeko oza kuzakha ziya kutshatyalaliswa ngemihla yokugqibela, ngexesha lokudla ubomi kokumkani.
11 Bakuba bethethe la mazwi ukumkani akazange awaphulaphule amazwi abo, engazange awabeke intliziyo yakhe kuwo, kuba ukumkani wayesazi ngobulumko bakhe ukuba abazange banike ingcaciso efanelekileyo yamaphupha; kwaye bakugqiba ukuthetha phambi kokumkani, ukumkani wabaphendula wathi, Yintoni na le nto niyithethileyo kum? Ngokuqinisekileyo nithethe ubuxoki kwaye nithethe ubuxoki; ke ngoko nika ingcaciso efanelekileyo yamaphupha am, ukuze ningafi.
12 Emva koko ukumkani wayalela, wathumela wabiza kwakhona ezinye izilumko, zaza zema phambi kokumkani, ukumkani wazixelela amaphupha akhe, zaza zonke zamphendula ngokwentsingiselo yokuqala, waza wavutha umsindo wokumkani, wacaphuka kakhulu, waza ukumkani

wathi kubo, Nithetha ubuxoki kwaye nithetha ubuxoki koko nikuthethileyo.
13 Ukumkani wayalela ukuba kukhutshwe isaziso kulo lonke ilizwe laseYiputa, esithi, Kugqitywe ngukumkani namadoda akhe amakhulu, ukuba nabani na osisilumko owaziyo noqondayo ukuchazwa kwamaphupha, kwaye ongayi kuza phambi kokumkani namhlanje, makafe.
14 Indoda eya kumxelela ukumkani intsingiselo yephupha lakhe, iya kunikwa konke aya kukufuna kukumkani. Zonke izilumko zelizwe laseYiputa zeza phambi kokumkani, kunye nabo bonke abakhafuli nabakhafuli ababeseYiputa naseGoshen, naseRameses, naseTachpanches, naseTsohare, nakuzo zonke iindawo ezikwimida yeYiputa, bema bonke phambi kokumkani.
15 Zonke izikhulu, neenkosana, nabalindi bokumkani, bahlanganisana bevela kuzo zonke izixeko zaseYiputa, baza bahlala bonke phambi kokumkani, ukumkani wabalisa amaphupha akhe phambi kwezilumko, neenkosana, nabo bonke ababehleli phambi kokumkani bamangaliswa ngumbono lowo.
16 Zonke izilumko ezaziphambi kokumkani zahlukana kakhulu ekutolikeni amaphupha akhe; ezinye zazo zazimchazela ukumkani, zisithi, Iimazi zeenkomo ezisixhenxe ezilungileyo ngookumkani abasixhenxe, abaphuma kwinzala yokumkani baya kuzalwa phezu kweYiputa.
17 Kwaye iimazi zeenkomo ezisixhenxe ezimbi ziinkosana ezisixhenxe, eziya kuma nxamnye nazo ngemihla yokugqibela zize zizitshabalalise; kwaye izikhwebu ezisixhenxe zengqolowa ziinkosana ezisixhenxe ezinkulu zaseYiputa, eziya kuwa ezandleni zeenkosana ezisixhenxe ezingenamandla zeentshaba zazo, kwiimfazwe zenkosi yethu ukumkani.
18 Bambi kubo bamchazela ukumkani ngolu hlobo, besithi, Iinkomo ezisixhenxe ezilungileyo zizixeko ezinamandla zaseYiputa, neenkomo ezisixhenxe ezimbi zizizwe ezisixhenxe zelizwe lakwaKanan, eziya kuza kuhlasela izixeko ezisixhenxe zaseYiputa ngemihla yokugqibela, zizitshabalalise.
19 Kwaye oko ukubonileyo kwiphupha lesibini, lezikhwebu ezisixhenxe ezilungileyo nezimbi, luphawu lokuba urhulumente waseYiputa uya kubuyela kwakhona kwimbewu yakho njengakuqala.
20 Kwaye ebukumkanini bakhe abantu bezixeko zaseYiputa baya kujika ngokuchasene nezixeko ezisixhenxe zaseKanan ezinamandla kunabo, baze bazitshabalalise, kwaye urhulumente waseYiputa uya kubuyela kwimbewu yakho.
21 Bathi abanye kubo kukumkani, Nasi intsingiselo yamaphupha akho; iimazi ezisixhenxe ezilungileyo ziikumkanikazi ezisixhenxe, oza kuzithabatha zibe ngabafazi ngemihla yokugqibela, kwaye iimazi ezisixhenxe ezimbi zibonisa ukuba abo bafazi bonke baya kufa ebomini bokumkani.
22 Kwaye izikhwebu ezisixhenxe ezilungileyo nezimbi ozibonileyo kwiphupha lesibini ngabantwana abalishumi elinesine, kwaye kuya kuthi ngemihla yokugqibela bame balwe bodwa, kwaye abasixhenxe kubo baya kuhlasela abasixhenxe abanamandla ngakumbi.
23 Abanye babo bathetha la mazwi kukumkani, besithi, Iinkomo ezisixhenxe ezintle zibonisa ukuba uza kuzalwa ngabantwana abasixhenxe, kwaye ziya kubulala abantwana abasixhenxe babantwana bakho ngemihla yokugqibela; kwaye izikhwebu ezisixhenxe ezilungileyo ozibonileyo kwiphupha lesibini, zezo zikhulu eziya kulwa nazo ezinye iinkosana ezisixhenxe ezingenamandla kwaye zizitshabalalise ngemihla yokugqibela, kwaye ziphindezele ityala labantwana bakho, kwaye urhulumente uya kubuyela kwakhona kwimbewu yakho.
24 Waweva ukumkani onke amazwi ezilumko zaseYiputa, nokutyhilwa kwamaphupha akhe; akwabakho nalinye kuwo elakholisa ukumkani.
25 Ukumkani wayesazi ngobulumko bakhe ukuba babengathethi kakuhle ngokupheleleyo ngala mazwi onke, kuba oku kwakuvela eNkosini ukuze kubhangiswe amazwi ezilumko zaseYiputa, ukuze uYosefu aphume endlwini yokubanjwa, aze abe mkhulu eYiputa.
26 Wabona ukumkani ukuba akukho namnye kubo bonke abazizilumko nabakhafuli baseYiputa othetha kakuhle naye, wavutha umsindo wokumkani, wavutha umsindo wakhe ngaphakathi kuye.
27 Ukumkani wayalela ukuba bonke abantu abazizilumko nabakhafuli baphume phambi kwakhe, baza bonke baphuma phambi kokumkani beneentloni nehlazo.
28 Ukumkani wayalela ukuba kuthunyelwe isaziso kulo lonke elaseJiputa sokuba kubulawe bonke abathakathi ababeseJiputa, ukuze kungabikho namnye kubo oza kusinda.
29 Basuka ke abaphathi babalindi bokumkani, barhola ikrele ngalinye, baqala ukubulala izazi zaseYiputa, nezilumko.
30 Emva koko uMerodi, umphathi wabangcamli kukumkani, weza waqubuda phambi kokumkani, wahlala phambi kwakhe.
31 Wathi umphathi wewayini kukumkani, Ukumkani makaphile ngonaphakade, nolawulo lwakhe luphakanyiswe elizweni.
32 Wawunomsindo kumkhonzi wakho ngaloo mihla, ngoku kwiminyaka emibini edlulileyo, wandibeka entolongweni, ndaza ndahlala ixesha elithile entolongweni, mna nomphathi wabapheki bezonka.
33 Kwakukho isicaka esingumHebhere esasisecaleni kwentloko yabalindi, igama laso yayinguYosefu, kuba inkosi yaso yayimcaphukisile yaza yasifaka entolongweni, yasilungiselela apho.
34 Kwathi emva kwexesha elithile, xa sasisegumbini lokugcina amatyala, saphupha amaphupha ngobusuku obunye, mna nentloko yabapheki bezonka; saphupha, ngamnye ngokwengcaciso yephupha lakhe.
35 Safika kusasa saza saxelela loo mkhonzi, waza wasichazela amaphupha ethu, ngamnye ngokwephupha lakhe, ngaba watolika ngokuchanekileyo?
36 Kwathi njengoko wasichazelayo, kwaba njalo nangesiganeko; akuwanga phantsi nalinye kumazwi akhe.
37 Ke ngoko ke nkosi yam nokumkani musani ukubabulala abantu baseYiputa ngelize; khangelani elo khoboka lisavalelwe endlwini ngumphathi wabalindi inkosi yalo, endlwini yokuvalelwa.
38 Ukuba kuthe kwalunga kukumkani makamthumele ukuba eze phambi kwakho aze akuxelele intsingiselo echanekileyo yephupha oliphuphileyo.

39 Uthe ukumkani akuliva ilizwi lomphathi wabangcamli, ukumkani wayalela ukuba izilumko zaseYiputa zingabulawa.
40 Ukumkani wayalela abakhonzi bakhe ukuba bazise uYosefu phambi kwakhe, waza ukumkani wathi kubo, Yiyani kuye kwaye ningammoyikisi hleze adideke aze angakwazi ukuthetha kakuhle.
41 Baza abakhonzi bokumkani baya kuYosefu, bamkhupha ngokukhawuleza emhadini, baza abakhonzi bokumkani bamcheba, waza watshintsha ingubo yakhe yentolongo, weza phambi kokumkani.
42 Ukumkani wayehleli etroneni yakhe yobukumkani enxibe isambatho sobukhosi esijikelezileyo enxibe i-efodi yegolide, negolide ecocekileyo eyayiphezu kwayo yayikhazimla, kwaye ikarbhuncle, nerubhi, ne-emerald, kunye nawo onke amatye axabisekileyo awayesentlokweni yokumkani, amenza wamangaliswa kakhulu ngukumkani, waza uYosefu wamangaliswa kakhulu ngukumkani.
43 Itrone awayehleli kuyo ukumkani yayigqunywe ngegolide nesilivere, nangamatye e-onikis, yayinezinyuko ezingamashumi asixhenxe.
44 Kwaye yayilisiko labo kulo lonke ilizwe laseYiputa, ukuba wonke umntu owayeza kuthetha nokumkani, ukuba wayeyinkosana okanye umntu owayeqikelelwa emehlweni okumkani, wayenyukela etroneni yokumkani ukuya kuthi ga kwinqanaba lamashumi amathathu ananye, aze ukumkani ehle aye kwinqanaba lamashumi amathathu anesithandathu, aze athethe naye.
45 Ukuba wayengomnye wabantu abaqhelekileyo, wayenyukela kwinyathelo lesithathu, aze ukumkani ehle aye kwelesine aze athethe naye, kwaye isiko labo, ngaphezu koko, yayikukuba nabani na oqondayo ukuthetha zonke iilwimi ezingamashumi asixhenxe, wayenyuka kwinyathelo ezingamashumi asixhenxe, aze enyuke aze athethe ade afike kukumkani.
46 Kwaye nabani na owayengenakukwazi ukugqiba amashumi asixhenxe, wayenyuka amanyathelo amaninzi kangangoko iilwimi awayezazi ukuba azithethe.
47 Kwaye kwakuqhelekile ngaloo mihla eYiputa ukuba kungabikho mntu ulawula phezu kwabo, kodwa owayeqonda ukuthetha iilwimi ezingamashumi asixhenxe.
48 Wathi uYosefu akufika phambi kokumkani, waqubuda emhlabeni phambi kokumkani, waza wenyuka waya kwinqanaba lesithathu, waza ukumkani wahlala kwinqanaba lesine waza wathetha noYosefu.
49 Ukumkani wathi kuYosefu, Ndiphuphe iphupha, akukho mtoliki wokulitolika kakuhle, kwaye ndiyalele namhlanje ukuba bonke abakhafuli baseYiputa nezilumko zalo, beze phambi kwam, kwaye ndibaxelele amaphupha am, kwaye akukho mntu unditolikele kakuhle.
50 Kwaye namhlanje ndivile ngawe ukuba uyindoda elumkileyo, kwaye uyakwazi ukuchaza ngokuchanekileyo onke amaphupha owavayo.
51 UYosefu wamphendula uFaro, wathi, Makabalise amaphupha akhe awaphuphileyo; ngokuqinisekileyo ukutolikwa kungokukaThixo; uFaro wambalisela uYosefu amaphupha akhe, iphupha leenkomo, nephupha lezikhwebu zengqolowa, ukumkani wayeka ukuthetha.
52 UYosefu ke ngoko wanxitywa ngumoya kaThixo phambi kokumkani, waza wayesazi zonke izinto ezaziza kumehlela ukumkani ukususela ngaloo mini ukuya phambili, waza wayesazi ingcaciso echanekileyo yephupha lokumkani, waza wathetha phambi kokumkani.
53 UYosefu wafumana ubabalo emehlweni okumkani, ukumkani wawaphulaphula onke amazwi kaYosefu. Wathi uYosefu kukumkani, Musa ukucinga ukuba ngamaphupha amabini, kuba liphupha elinye kuphela, kuba oko uThixo akhethe ukukwenza kulo lonke ilizwe ukubonisile ukumkani ephupheni lakhe, kwaye le yingcaciso efanelekileyo yephupha lakho:
54 Iinkomo ezisixhenxe ezilungileyo nezikhwebu zengqolowa yiminyaka esixhenxe, neenkomo ezisixhenxe ezimbi nezikhwebu zengqolowa nazo yiminyaka esixhenxe; liphupha elinye.
55 Khangela, iminyaka esixhenxe ezayo iya kubakho indlala enkulu kulo lonke ilizwe, ize emva koko ilandele iminyaka esixhenxe yendlala, indlala enzima kakhulu; kwaye yonke indlala iya kulityalwa elizweni, kwaye indlala iya kubadla abemi belizwe.
56 Ukumkani waphupha iphupha elinye, laza iphupha laphindwa kuFaro kuba le nto imiselwe nguThixo, kwaye uThixo uza kuyifezekisa kungekudala.
57 Ngoku ke ndiya kukunika icebiso, ndisindise umphefumlo wakho kunye nemiphefumlo yabemi belizwe ebubini bendlala, ukuba ufune indoda elumkileyo kakhulu nelumkileyo ebukumkanini bakho, eyazi yonke imicimbi karhulumente, kwaye uyimise ukuba ibe ngumlawuli welizwe laseYiputa.
58 Indoda oyimisileyo phezu kweYiputa mayimise abaveleli phantsi kwayo, baqokelele konke ukutya kweminyaka emihle ezayo, bagcine ingqolowa, bayibeke kwiindawo zakho ezimiselweyo.
59 Kwaye mabagcine oko kudla iminyaka esixhenxe yendlala, ukuze kufumaneke kuwe, nakubantu bakho, nakwilizwe lakho lonke, ukuze wena nelizwe lakho ningatshatyalaliswa yindlala.
60 Mabathi bonke abemi belizwe mabayalelwe ukuba baqokelele, ngamnye imveliso yentsimi yakhe, kuzo zonke iintlobo zokutya, ngexesha leminyaka esixhenxe yendyebo, baze bayibeke kwiindawo zabo zokugcina, ukuze ifunyanwe kubo ngemihla yendlala baze baphile kuyo.
61 Olu lutoliko olufanelekileyo lwephupha lakho, kwaye olu lucebiso olunikiweyo lokusindisa umphefumlo wakho nemiphefumlo yabo bonke abantu bakho.
62 Ukumkani waphendula wathi kuYosefu, Ngubani na otshoyo, ngubani owaziyo ukuba amazwi akho achanekile? Wathi kukumkani, Oku kuya kuba luphawu kuwe malunga nawo onke amazwi am, ukuba ayinyani kwaye icebiso lam lilungile kuwe.
63 Khangela umfazi wakho uhleli esihlalweni sokubeletha namhlanje, kwaye uza kukuzalela unyana kwaye uya kuvuya naye; xa umntwana wakho ephuma esibelekweni sikanina, unyana wakho wokuqala ozelwe kule minyaka mibini idlulileyo uya kufa, kwaye uya kuthuthuzelwa ngumntwana oza kuzalwa kuwe namhlanje.
64 Wakugqiba uYosefu ukuthetha la mazwi kukumkani, waqubuda kukumkani, waphuma, waza uYosefu waphuma ebusweni bokumkani, loo miqondiso uYosefu awayeyithethile kukumkani yenzeka ngaloo mini.
65 Kwaye ukumkanikazi wazala unyana ngaloo mini waza ukumkani weva iindaba ezimnandi ngonyana wakhe, waza wavuya, kwaye xa intatheli yaphuma ebusweni bokumkani,

abakhonzi bokumkani bafumana unyana wokuqala wokumkani ewile emhlabeni efile.
66 Kwabakho isililo esikhulu nengxolo endlwini yokumkani, waza ukumkani weva, wathi, Yintoni na le ngxolo nentlungu endiyivileyo endlwini? Bamxelela ukumkani ukuba unyana wakhe wokuqala ufile; ukumkani waqonda ukuba onke amazwi kaYosefu awayewathethile ayechanekile, waza ukumkani wathuthuzelwa ngunyana wakhe ngumntwana awamzalelwa ngaloo mini njengoko uYosefu wayetshilo.

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1 Emva kwezi zinto ukumkani wathumela, wahlanganisa bonke abathetheli bakhe, nabakhonzi bakhe, nabo bonke abathetheli, nezikhulu zokumkani; beza bonke phambi kokumkani.
2 Ukumkani wathi kubo, Yabonani, niwabonile onke amazwi alo mHebhere, nayo yonke imiqondiso awayithethayo iza kwenzeka, akukho nanye yamazwi akhe ewileyo emhlabeni.
3 Niyazi ukuba unichazele iphupha ngendlela eyiyo, kwaye ngokuqinisekileyo liya kwenzeka, ngoko ke cebisanani, nazi ukuba niza kwenza ntoni na, nendlela ilizwe eliza kukhululwa ngayo kwindlala.
4 Khangelani nize nibone ukuba kukho na into enjalo, entliziyo yayo kukho ubulumko nolwazi, ndimmise phezu kwelizwe.
5 Kuba nivile oko indoda engumHebhere icebisa ngako oku ukuze isindise ilizwe ngayo endlaleni, kwaye ndiyazi ukuba ilizwe aliyi kukhululwa endlaleni ngaphandle kwengcebiso yendoda engumHebhere, leyo indicebisileyo.
6 Baphendula bonke ukumkani, bathi, Icebo elicetyisiweyo ngumHebhere ngale nto lilungile; ke ngoko, nkosi yethu, kumkani, khangela, ilizwe lonke lisesandleni sakho; yenza okulungileyo emehlweni akho.
7 Lowo umkhethileyo, kwaye lowo ngobulumko bakho uyazi ukuba ulumkile kwaye unako ukusindisa ilizwe ngobulumko bakhe, ukumkani uya kummisela ukuba abe phantsi kwakhe phezu kwelizwe.
8 Wathi ukumkani kubo bonke abathetheli, Ndicinga ukuba, ekubeni uThixo emxelele indoda engumHebhere konke akuthethileyo, akukho mntu uyingqondi nolumkileyo njengaye kulo lonke ilizwe; ukuba kuthe kwalunga emehlweni enu, ndiya kumbeka phezu kwelizwe, kuba uya kulisindisa ilizwe ngobulumko bakhe.
9 Bonke abathetheli bamphendula ukumkani, bathi, Inene, kubhaliwe emithethweni yaseYiputa, kwaye akufuneki kwaphulwe, ukuba akukho mntu uya kulawula eYiputa, okanye abe ngowesibini kukumkani, kodwa ngumntu owaziyo zonke iilwimi zoonyana babantu.
10 Ke ngoko nkosi yethu nokumkani, khangela le ndoda ingumHebhere ikwazi ukuthetha ulwimi lwesiHebhere kuphela, kwaye ke ingaba njani na ukuba phezu kwethu njengowesibini phantsi kolawulo, indoda engalwaziyo nolwimi lwethu?
11 Ngoku siyakucela ukuba umbize, aze eze phambi kwakho, umvavanye kuzo zonke izinto, uze wenze njengoko ubona kufanelekile.
12 Wathi ukumkani, Kuya kwenzeka ngomso; ilizwi olithethileyo lilungile; zeza zonke iintloko phambi kokumkani ngaloo mini.
13 Kwaye ngobo busuku iNkosi yathumela enye yeengelosi zayo ezikhonzayo, waza wafika kwilizwe laseYiputa kuYosefu, kwaye ingelosi yeNkosi yema phezu kukaYosefu, kwaye khangela uYosefu wayelele ebhedini ebusuku endlwini yenkosi yakhe emhadini, kuba inkosi yakhe yayimbuyisele emhadini ngenxa yomfazi wakhe.
14 Ingelosi yamvusa ebuthongweni bakhe, waza uYosefu wavuka wema ngemilenze yakhe, kwaye nanko ingelosi yeNkosi imi malunga naye; kwaye ingelosi yeNkosi yathetha noYosefu, kwaye yamfundisa zonke iilwimi zoluntu ngobo busuku, waza wamthiya igama elinguYosefu.
15 Ingelosi yeNkosi yamshiya, waza uYosefu wabuya waza walala ebhedini yakhe, waza uYosefu wamangaliswa ngumbono awawubonayo.
16 Kwathi kusasa ukumkani wathumela ukuba kubizwe bonke abathetheli bakhe nabakhonzi bakhe, baza bonke beza bahlala phambi kokumkani, waza ukumkani wayalela ukuba uYosefu aziswe, baza abakhonzi bokumkani baya bamzisa uYosefu kuFaro.
17 Ukumkani weza waza wenyuka izinyuko zetrone, waza uYosefu wathetha nokumkani ngazo zonke iilwimi, waza uYosefu waya kuye waza wathetha nokumkani wada wafika phambi kokumkani kwinqanaba lamashumi asixhenxe, waza wahlala phambi kokumkani.
18 Ukumkani wavuya kakhulu ngenxa kaYosefu, nazo zonke izikhulu zokumkani zavuya kakhulu nokumkani zakuva onke amazwi kaYosefu.
19 Kwabonakala kulungile emehlweni okumkani nabaphathi ukuba bamise uYosefu abe ngowesibini kukumkani phezu kwelizwe lonke laseYiputa. Wathetha ukumkani kuYosefu, esithi,
20 Ngoku undinike icebo lokuba ndimisele indoda elumkileyo phezu kwelizwe laseYiputa, ukuze ngobulumko bayo isindise ilizwe endlaleni; ke ngoko, ekubeni uThixo ekwazisile konke oku, nawo onke amazwi owathethileyo, akukho mntu uyingqondi nelumkileyo njengawe kulo lonke ilizwe.
21 Kwaye igama lakho alisayi kuba sabizwa ngokuba nguYosefu, kodwa igama lakho liya kuba nguZafenati-Paneya; uya kuba ngowesibini kum, kwaye ngokwelizwi lakho yonke imicimbi yolawulo lwam iya kuba njalo, kwaye ngokwelizwi lakho abantu bam baya kuphuma bangene.
22 Kwanabakhonzi bam namagosa baya kufumana umvuzo wabo abawunikwayo inyanga nenyanga, kwaye bonke abantu belizwe baya kuqubuda kuwe; etroneni yam kuphela ndiya kuba mkhulu kunawe.
23 Ukumkani wayikhulula indandatho yakhe esandleni sakhe waza wayibeka esandleni sikaYosefu, waza ukumkani wambesa uYosefu isambatho esinobukhazikhazi, waza wambeka isithsaba segolide entlokweni yakhe, waza wambeka umxokelelwane wegolide entanyeni yakhe.
24 Ukumkani wabayalela abakhonzi bakhe, bamkhwelisa enqwelweni yesibini yokumkani, eyayihamba ecaleni kwenqwelo yokumkani, waza wamkhwelisa ehasheni elikhulu nelinamandla ukusuka ehasheni lokumkani, waza waqhutywa ezitratweni zelizwe laseYiputa.

25 Ukumkani wayalela ukuba bonke abo babedlala ngeengqongqo, iihadi nezinye izixhobo zomculo bahambe noYosefu; iwaka leengqongqo, iwaka leemekoloti, newaka leenebhalim bamlandela.
26 Kwaye amadoda angamawaka amahlanu, ephethe iikrele ezirhuqiweyo ezikhazimlayo ezandleni zawo, aza ahamba edlala phambi kukaYosefu, kunye namadoda amakhulu angamashumi amabini amawaka ekumkani enxibe imibhinqo yesikhumba egqunywe ngegolide, ahamba ngasekunene kukaYosefu, namashumi amabini amawaka ngasekhohlo kwakhe, kwaye bonke abafazi neentombi babehamba phezu kophahla okanye bema ezitratweni bedlala kwaye bevuya kuYosefu, kwaye bajonga inkangeleko kaYosefu nobuhle bakhe.
27 Abantu bokumkani babehamba phambi kwakhe nangasemva kwakhe, beqhumisa indlela ngentlaka yempepho nekasiya, nazo zonke iintlobo zeziqholo ezintle, nemore esasazekileyo ne-alo endleleni, kwaye amadoda angamashumi amabini ayevakalisa la mazwi phambi kwakhe kulo lonke ilizwe ngelizwi elikhulu:
28 Niyambona na lo mntu ukumkani amkhethileyo ukuba abe ngowesibini wakhe? Yonke imicimbi karhulumente iya kulawulwa nguye, kwaye lowo uphula imiyalelo yakhe, okanye ongaqubudiyo phambi kwakhe emhlabeni, uya kufa, kuba uvukela ukumkani nowesibini wakhe.
29 Kwathi xa ababhali bexesha lokuphela kokuvakalisa, bonke abantu baseYiputa baqubuda phantsi phambi kukaYosefu, bathi: “Makaphile ukumkani, nowesibini wakhe.” Bonke abemi baseYiputa baqubuda endleleni, baza xa abababhali befika kubo, baqubuda, bavuya ngazo zonke iintlobo zeengoma, iingoma ze-mechol ne-nebal phambi kukaYosefu.
30 UYosefu ekhwele ihashe lakhe waphakamisa amehlo akhe ezulwini, wamemeza wathi, Uyamphakamisa umntu olihlwempu eluthulini, Uyamphakamisa osweleyo edakeni. Owu Nkosi yemikhosi, unoyolo umntu okholosa ngawe.
31 UYosefu walityhutyha ilizwe laseYiputa, enabakhonzi bakaFaro, nabakhonzi bakhe; bambonisa lonke ilizwe laseYiputa, nayo yonke ingcebo yokumkani.
32 Wabuya uYosefu waza weza ngaloo mini phambi koFaro, waza ukumkani wamnika uYosefu ilifa ezweni laseYiputa, ilifa lamasimi nezidiliya, waza ukumkani wamnika uYosefu amawaka amathathu eetalente zesilivere newaka leetalente zegolide, namatye e-onyx nebhedolaki nezipho ezininzi.
33 Kwaye ngengomso ukumkani wayalela bonke abantu baseYiputa ukuba bazise kuYosefu iminikelo nezipho, nokuba lowo waphula umyalelo wokumkani makafe; kwaye benza indawo ephakamileyo esitalatweni sesixeko, baza bandlala iingubo apho, kwaye nabani na ozisa nantoni na kuYosefu wayeyibeka kwindawo ephakamileyo.
34 Bonke abantu baseYiputa baphosa into ethile endaweni ephakamileyo, omnye umntu ephethe ijikazi legolide, omnye ephethe ijikazi namajikazi, nezinye izinto ezahlukeneyo ezenziwe ngegolide nangesilivere, waphosa amatye e-oniki nebhedolaki endaweni ephakamileyo; ngamnye wanikela ngento awayenayo.
35 UYosefu wazithabatha zonke ezi zinto wazibeka koovimba bakhe, baza bonke ababhathi kunye nezikhulu zikakumkani bamphakamisa uYosefu, baza bamnika izipho ezininzi, kuba ukumkani wayemkhethile ukuba abe ngowesibini kuye.
36 Ukumkani wathumela kuPotifera, unyana ka-Ahiram umbingeleli wase-On, waza wathabatha intombi yakhe encinci uOsnati, wayinika uYosefu ukuba ibe ngumfazi wakhe.
37 Intombazana leyo yayintle kakhulu, iyintombi, into engaziwa yindoda, waza uYosefu wayithabatha yaba ngumfazi; waza ukumkani wathi kuYosefu, NdinguFaro, ngaphandle kwakho akukho mntu uya kuba nesibindi sokuphakamisa isandla sakhe okanye unyawo lwakhe ukulawula abantu bam kulo lonke ilizwe laseYiputa.
38 UYosefu wayeneminyaka engamashumi amathathu ubudala ekumeni kwakhe phambi koFaro, waza uYosefu waphuma phambi kokumkani, waba ngowesibini kukumkani eYiputa.
39 Ukumkani wanika uYosefu izicaka ezilikhulu ukuba zimnyamekele endlwini yakhe, waza uYosefu wathumela waza wathenga izicaka ezininzi baza bahlala endlwini kaYosefu.
40 UYosefu wazakhela indlu entle kakhulu efana nezindlu zookumkani, phambi kwentendelezo yendlu yokumkani, waza wenza endlwini itempile enkulu, entle kakhulu ngembonakalo kwaye ilungele ukuhlala kwakhe; uYosefu wayehlala iminyaka emithathu esakha indlu yakhe.
41 UYosefu wazenzela itrone entle kakhulu ngegolide nesilivere eninzi, wayigubungela ngamatye eonikisi nebhedolaki, wenza phezu kwayo umfanekiso welizwe lonke laseYiputa, nomfanekiso womlambo waseYiputa omanzisa lonke ilizwe laseYiputa; waza uYosefu wahlala etroneni yakhe endlwini yakhe, iNkosi yamongezelela ubulumko bukaYosefu.
42 Bonke abemi baseYiputa, nabakhonzi bakaFaro, nabathetheli bakhe, bamthanda kakhulu uYosefu; kuba le nto yayivela kuYehova kuYosefu.
43 UYosefu wayenomkhosi owawusilwa, uphuma ngemikhosi nemikhosi ukuya kutsho kumashumi amane amawaka anamakhulu amathandathu amadoda, akwaziyo ukuphatha izixhobo zokunceda ukumkani noYosefu kwiintshaba, ngaphandle kwamagosa okumkani nabakhonzi bakhe nabemi baseYiputa abangenakubalwa.
44 UYosefu wanika amadoda akhe anamandla, nawo wonke umkhosi wakhe, iingweletshetshe, neentonga, neengubo zokwaleka, neengubo zentsimbi, namatye okusawula.

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1 Ngelo xesha oonyana bakaTarshishe beza koonyana bakaIshmayeli, balwa nabo; oonyana bakaTarshishe bawaphanga amaIshmayeli ixesha elide.
2 Abantwana bakaIshmayeli babembalwa ngaloo mihla, kwaye babengenakuboyisa abantwana baseTarshishe, kwaye babecinezelwe kakhulu.
3 Amadoda amakhulu amaIshmayeli athumela ingxelo kukumkani waseYiputa, esithi, Nceda uthumele kubakhonzi bakho, abaphathi namajoni, ukuba basincede silwe nabantwana baseTarshishe, kuba besisoloko siphela.
4 UFaro wamthuma uYosefu namadoda anamandla nomkhosi wakhe, kunye namadoda akhe anamandla endlwini yokumkani.

5 Baza baya kwilizwe laseHavila kubantwana bakaIshmayeli, ukuze babancede nxamnye nabantwana baseTarshishe, kwaye oonyana bakaIshmayeli balwa nabantwana baseTarshishe, waza uYosefu wababulala abantu baseTarshishe waza waboyisa lonke ilizwe labo, kwaye abantwana bakaIshmayeli bahlala apho unanamhla.
6 Xa ilizwe laseTarshishe loyiswayo, onke amaTarshishe abaleka, afika kumda wabazalwana bawo, oonyana bakaYavan, noYosefu, nawo onke amadoda akhe anamandla, nomkhosi, babuyela eYiputa, akwabakho namnye kubo owasalayo.
7 Kwaye ngexesha lotshintsho lonyaka, ngonyaka wesibini wokulawula kukaYosefu eYiputa, uYehova wanika ukutya okuninzi kulo lonke ilizwe iminyaka esixhenxe njengoko wayetshilo uYosefu, kuba uYehova wayisikelela yonke imveliso yomhlaba ngaloo mihla iminyaka esixhenxe, badla baza bahlutha kakhulu.
8 UYosefu ngelo xesha wayenabaphathi phantsi kwakhe, ababeqokelela konke ukudla kweminyaka etyebileyo, beqokelela ingqolowa iminyaka ngeminyaka, beyibeka endlwini kaYosefu.
9 Kwaye nangaliphi na ixesha xa beqokelela ukutya uYosefu wayalela ukuba bazise ingqolowa kwizikhwebu, baze bazise nomhlaba wentsimi, ukuze ingonakali.
10 UYosefu wayesenza njalo iminyaka ngeminyaka, eqokelela ingqolowa eninzi njengentlabathi yolwandle, kuba oovimba bakhe babebaninzi kakhulu, bengenakubalwa ngenxa yobuninzi.
11 Bonke abemi baseYiputa baqokelela zonke iintlobo zokutya koovimba babo ngenani elikhulu ngeminyaka esixhenxe yendyebo, kodwa abazange benze njengoko uYosefu wenzayo.
12 Konke ukutya ababekuqokelele uYosefu namaYiputa kwiminyaka esixhenxe yendyebo, kwagcinwa kwilizwe, kwagcinwa iminyaka esixhenxe yendlala, ukuze kuxhaswe lonke ilizwe.
13 Abemi baseYiputa bazalisa elowo indawo yakhe yokugcina izinto kunye nendawo yakhe yokufihla ngengqolowa, ukuze kubekho ukuxhasa ngexesha lendlala.
14 UJosefu wabeka konke ukutya awayekuqokelele kuzo zonke iidolophu zaseYiputa, wazivala zonke iivenkile, wabeka abalindi phezu kwazo.
15 UOsnati, intombi kaPotifera, umkaYosefu, wamzalela oonyana ababini, uManase noEfrayim; uYosefu wayeneminyaka engamashumi amathathu anesine ubudala ekuzalweni kwakhe.
16 Aba bafana bakhula baza bahamba ngeendlela zakhe nangokwemiyalelo yakhe, abazange baphambuke kwindlela awabafundisa ngayo uyise, nokuba baya ngasekunene okanye ngasekhohlo.
17 Kwaye iNkosi yayinabafana, baza bakhula, baba nokuqonda nobuchule kubo bonke ubulumko nakuyo yonke imicimbi karhulumente, kwaye bonke abaphathi bokumkani kunye namadoda akhe amakhulu abemi baseYiputa babebaphakamisa abafana, baza bakhuliswa phakathi kwabantwana bokumkani.
18 Yaphela ke iminyaka esixhenxe yendyebo eyayikho kulo lonke ilizwe, yaza emva kwayo yafika iminyaka esixhenxe yendlala, njengoko wayetshilo uYosefu; yaba yindlala kulo lonke ilizwe.
19 Bonke abantu baseYiputa babona ukuba indlala iqalile ezweni laseYiputa, kwaye bonke abantu baseYiputa bavula oovimba babo bengqolowa kuba indlala yayibacinezele.
20 Bafumana konke ukutya okwakusezingxoweni zabo, kuzele zizinambuzane ezinobungozi, kungafanele kutyiwa, yaza indlala yanwenwa kulo lonke ilizwe; bonke abemi baseYiputa beza bakhala phambi koFaro, kuba indlala yayinzima phezu kwabo.
21 Bathi kuFaro, Siphe ukutya abakhonzi bakho, singathini na ukuba sife yindlala phambi kwamehlo akho, thina nabantwana bethu?
22 UFaro wabaphendula wathi, “Kutheni na ukuba nikhale kum? UYosefu wayengayalelanga na ukuba ingqolowa igcinwe iminyaka esixhenxe yendyebo ngenxa yendlala? Kutheni ke ningaphulaphulanga ilizwi lakhe?”
23 Abantu baseYiputa bamphendula ukumkani, bathi, Uhleli nje umphefumlo wakho, nkosi yethu, abakhonzi bakho benze konke oko uYosefu wayalela ngako; kuba abakhonzi bakho bahlanganisa yonke imveliso yamasimi abo ngeminyaka esixhenxe yendyebo, bayibeka ebuncwaneni unanamhla.
24 Kwaye xa indlala yagquba phezu kwabakhonzi bakho, savula iivenkile zethu, kwaye khangela yonke imveliso yethu yayizele ziinkuni kwaye yayingafaneleki ukutyiwa.
25 Xa ukumkani weva konke okwehlele abemi baseYiputa, ukumkani woyika kakhulu ngenxa yendlala, waza woyika kakhulu; waza ukumkani wabaphendula abantu baseYiputa, esithi, Ekubeni konke oku kwenzeke kuni, yiyani kuYosefu, nenze nantoni na aya kuyithetha kuni, ningawugqithi umyalelo wakhe.
26 Bonke abantu baseYiputa baphuma baya kuYosefu, bathi kuye, Siphe ukutya, kwaye kutheni na ukuba sife phambi kwakho yindlala? Kuba siqokelele isivuno sethu kwiminyaka esixhenxe njengoko wawuyalele, kwaye sayibeka eqongeni, kwaye kunjalo nakuthi.
27 Akuva uYosefu onke amazwi abantu baseYiputa, noko bekubehleleyo, uYosefu wavula zonke iivenkile zakhe zemveliso, wayithengisa kubantu baseYiputa.
28 Indlala yayinzima kulo lonke ilizwe, indlala yayikho kuwo onke amazwe, kodwa ezweni laseYiputa kwakukho isivuno esithengiswayo.
29 Bonke abemi baseYiputa beza kuYosefu beze kuthenga ingqolowa, kuba indlala yayibagqugqisile, yonke ingqolowa yabo yaphela, waza uYosefu wayithengisa imihla ngemihla kubo bonke abantu baseYiputa.
30 Bonke abemi belizwe lakwaKanan, namaFilisti, nabo baphesheya kweYordan, nabo basempumalanga, nabemi bonke bamazwe akude, beva ukuba kukho ingqolowa eYiputa; beza eYiputa bonke, beze kuthenga ingqolowa, kuba indlala yayibagubungele.
31 UYosefu wavula oovimba bengqolowa, wamisa abaphathi phezu kwabo; babehlala bethengisa imihla ngemihla kubo bonke abafikayo.
32 UYosefu wayesazi ukuba abazalwana bakhe nabo baza kuza eYiputa beze kuthenga ingqolowa, kuba indlala yayigqugqisile emhlabeni wonke. UYosefu wayalela bonke abantu bakhe ukuba benze ukuba oku kubhengezwe kulo lonke ilizwe laseYiputa, esithi,
33 Kuyintando yokumkani, wesibini sakhe kunye nezikhulu zabo, ukuba nabani na ofuna ukuthenga ingqolowa eYiputa angathumeli abakhonzi bakhe eYiputa

ukuba baye kuthenga, ngaphandle koonyana bakhe, kunye nawuphi na umYiputa okanye umKanan, oza kuvela kuyo nayiphi na indawo yokuthenga ingqolowa eYiputa, aze aye kuthengisa kulo lonke ilizwe, uya kufa, kuba akukho mntu uza kuthenga ngaphandle kokuxhasa indlu yakhe.
34 Nabani na okhokela izilwanyana ezimbini okanye ezintathu uya kufa, kuba umntu umele akhokhele izilwanyana zakhe kuphela.
35 UYosefu wabeka abalindi emasangweni aseYiputa, waza wabayalela, esithi, Nabani na oza kuthenga ingqolowa, makangamvumeli ukuba angene, ide ibhalwe phantsi igama lakhe, negama likayise, negama likayise, namagama kayise; kwaye nantoni na ebhaliweyo emini, ndithumelele amagama abo ngokuhlwa ukuze ndiwazi amagama abo.
36 UYosefu wamisa abaphathi kulo lonke ilizwe laseYiputa, waza wabayalela ukuba benze zonke ezi zinto.
37 UYosefu wenza zonke ezi zinto, waza wamisa le mimiselo, ukuze azi ukuba abazalwana bakhe baza kufika nini eYiputa ukuza kuthenga ingqolowa; kwaye abantu bakuloYosefu bayenza ibhengezwe imihla ngemihla eYiputa ngokwala mazwi nemimiselo awayeyiyalele uYosefu.
38 Bonke abemi basempuma nasentshona, nabemi behlabathi lonke, beva ngemimiselo nemimiselo awayeyimisile uYosefu eYiputa; abemi baseziphelweni zomhlaba beza bathenga ingqolowa eYiputa imihla ngemihla, baze bemke.
39 Bonke abaphathi baseYiputa benza njengoko wayeyalele uYosefu; bonke abo babesiza kuthenga ingqolowa eYiputa, abalindi besango babhala amagama abo, namagama ooyise, bazizise phambi koYosefu imihla ngemihla ngokuhlwa.

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1 Weva uYakobi ukuba kukho ingqolowa eYiputa, wabiza oonyana bakhe, ukuba baye kuthenga ingqolowa eYiputa; kuba indlala yayinzima phezu kwabo; wabiza oonyana bakhe, esithi,
2 Yabonani, ndivile ukuba kukho ingqolowa eYiputa, kwaye bonke abantu behlabathi baya khona ukuya kuthenga. Kutheni na ke ngoko ukuba naneliseke phambi kwehlabathi lonke? Yihlani niye eYiputa nize nisithengele ingqolowa encinci phakathi kwabo beza khona, ukuze singafi.
3 Oonyana bakaYakobi baliphulaphula ilizwi likayise, basuka baya eYiputa, baya kuthenga ingqolowa phakathi kwabanye ababefikile khona.
4 UYakobi uyise wabayalela, esithi, Xa ningena esixekweni, musani ukungena ngamasango omabini, ngenxa yabemi belizwe.
5 Baphuma oonyana bakaYakobi, baya eYiputa; oonyana bakaYakobi benza konke njengoko uyise wayebayalele, uYakobi akamthumanga uBhenjamin, kuba wathi, Hleze ahlelwe yingozi endleleni njengomntakwabo; baphuma oonyana bakaYakobi abalishumi.
6 Kwathi xa oonyana bakaYakobi babehamba endleleni, bazisola ngento ababeyenze kuYosefu, baza bathetha omnye komnye, besithi, Siyazi ukuba umntakwethu uYosefu wehla waya eYiputa, ngoku siza kumfuna apho siya khona, kwaye ukuba simfumene siya kumthabatha enkosini yakhe njengentlawulelo, kwaye ukuba akunjalo, ngenkani, size sife ngenxa yakhe.
7 Oonyana bakaYakobi bavumelana nale nto, baza baqina ngenxa kaYosefu, ukuba amhlangule esandleni senkosi yakhe; oonyana bakaYakobi baya eYiputa; bathi bakusondela eYiputa, bahlukana, bangena ngamasango alishumi aseYiputa; abalindi bawabhala amagama abo ngaloo mini, bawazisa kuYosefu ngokuhlwa.
8 Waza uYosefu wawafunda amagama ezandleni zabagcini-masango besixeko, waza wafumanisa ukuba abazalwana bakhe babengene emasangweni alishumi esixeko, waza uYosefu ngelo xesha wayalela ukuba kubhengezwe kulo lonke ilizwe laseYiputa, esithi,
9 Phumani nonke nina balindi bezinto zokugcina ukutya, nivale zonke iindawo zokugcina ukutya okuziinkozo nize nishiye enye ivuliwe, ukuze abo bazayo bathenge kuyo.
10 Bonke abaphathi bakaYosefu benza njalo ngelo xesha, baza bavala zonke iivenkile, kwasala enye kuphela evuliweyo.
11 UYosefu wanika amagama abhaliweyo abazalwana bakhe kumphathi wevenkile, wathi kuye, Nabani na oza kuwe ukuza kuthenga ingqolowa, makabuze igama lakhe; xa amadoda ala magama eza phambi kwakho, babambe, ubathumele; benza njalo ke.
12 Bakufika oonyana bakaYakobi esixekweni, badibana esixekweni ukuze bafune uYosefu ngaphambi kokuba bazithengele ingqolowa.
13 Baya eludongeni lweehenyukazi, baza bamfuna uYosefu eludongeni lweehenyukazi iintsuku ezintathu, kuba babecinga ukuba uYosefu uza kungena eludongeni lweehenyukazi, kuba uYosefu wayemhle kakhulu kwaye emhle, kwaye oonyana bakaYakobi bamfuna uYosefu iintsuku ezintathu, kodwa abazange bamfumane.
14 Indoda eyayiphethe ivenkile yafuna laa magama yayiwanikwe nguYosefu, kodwa ayizange iwafumane.
15 Wathumela kuYosefu, esithi, Sele kudlule imihla emithathu, laa madoda undinike wona amagama awo akafikanga; uYosefu wathumela abakhonzi ukuba baye kufuna amadoda kulo lonke elaseYiputa, bawazise phambi koYosefu.
16 Baza abakhonzi bakaYosefu baya eYiputa, ababafumananga; baya eGoshen, abafumananga apho; baya ke kwisixeko saseRameses, ababafumananga.
17 UYosefu waqhubeka ethumela abakhonzi abalishumi elinesithandathu ukuba baye kufuna abazalwana bakhe, baza bahamba baya kusasazeka kwiimbombo zone zesixeko, kwaye abane kubakhonzi baya endlwini yamahenyukazi, baza bafumana amadoda alishumi apho efuna umntakwabo.
18 Baza abo madoda mane babathabatha baza babazisa phambi kwakhe, baza baqubuda kuye emhlabeni, kwaye uYosefu wayehleli etroneni yakhe etempileni yakhe, enxibe iimpahla zobukhosi, kwaye entlokweni yakhe kwakukho isithsaba esikhulu segolide, kwaye onke amadoda anamandla ayehleli emjikelezile.
19 Oonyana bakaYakobi bambona uYosefu, ubuso bakhe, nobuhle bakhe, nokuphakama kobuso bakhe, kwaba kuhle emehlweni abo, baqubuda kuye kwakhona emhlabeni.

20 UYosefu wababona abantakwabo, wabazi, kodwa bona abamazanga, kuba uYosefu wayemkhulu emehlweni abo, ngoko ke abazange bamqonde.
21 UYosefu wathi kubo, Nivela phi na? Baphendula bonke bathi, Abakhonzi bakho bavela ezweni lakwaKanan, beze kuthenga ingqolowa, kuba indlala igqugqisile kulo lonke ihlabathi; abakhonzi bakho beva ukuba kukho ingqolowa eYiputa, ngoko beze phakathi kwamanye amazwe, beze kuthenga ingqolowa ukuze baxhase.
22 UJosefu wabaphendula wathi: "Ukuba nize kuthenga njengoko nitshilo, kutheni ningene ngamasango alishumi esixekweni? Kuphela nje nize kuhlola ilizwe."
23 Baphendula bonke kunye uYosefu, bathi, Hayi, nkosi yam, sinyanisile; abakhonzi bakho abazizo iintlola, size kuthenga ingqolowa, kuba abakhonzi bakho bonke bangabazalwana, oonyana bomntu omnye ezweni lakwaKanan; ke ubawo wasiyalela, wathi, Xa nifika emzini, musani ukungena ngamasango omabini ngenxa yabemi belizwe.
24 Waphinda uYosefu wabaphendula wathi, Yiyo le nto ndiyithethileyo kuni, nize kuhlola ilizwe, ngoko ke nonke ningene ngamasango alishumi esixeko; nize kubona ubuze belizwe.
25 Ngokuqinisekileyo wonke umntu oza kuthenga ingqolowa uyahamba ngendlela yakhe, kwaye sele uneentsuku ezintathu kweli lizwe, kwaye nenza ntoni kwiindonga zamahenyukazi enibe kuzo kule mihla mithathu? Ngokuqinisekileyo iintlola zinjalo ezi zinto.
26 Bathi kuYosefu, Makube lee enkosini yethu ukuthetha ngolu hlobo, kuba singabazalwana abalishumi elinambini, oonyana bakabawo wethu uYakobi, ezweni lakwaKanan, unyana kaIsake, unyana ka-Abraham, umHebhere, kwaye khangela, omncinci ukunye nobawo namhlanje ezweni lakwaKanan, kwaye omnye akasekho, kuba wayelahlekile kuthi, kwaye sasicinga ukuba mhlawumbi usenokuba kweli lizwe, ngoko ke simfuna kulo lonke ilizwe, kwaye sifikile nakwiindlu zamahenyukazi ukuze simfune apho.
27 Wathi uYosefu kubo, Ngaba nimfuna na emhlabeni wonke, ukuba kusele iYiputa yodwa ukuba nimfune? Kwaye umnakwenu ufanele enze ntoni na ezindlwini zamahenyukazi, nangona wayeseseYiputa? Anitshongo na ukuthi, Ningabantwana bakaIsake, unyana ka-Abraham, kwaye baya kwenza ntoni ke oonyana bakaYakobi ezindlwini zamahenyukazi?
28 Bathi kuye, Kuba sivile ukuba amaIshmayeli ayembile kuthi, saza saxelelwa ukuba bamthengisile eYiputa, kwaye umkhonzi wakho, umzalwana wethu, umhle kakhulu kwaye umhle, ngoko ke besicinga ukuba uza kuba sendlwini yamahenyukazi, ngoko ke abakhonzi bakho baya apho ukuya kumfuna nokumhlawulela.
29 Waphendula uYosefu, wathi kubo, Nithetha ubuxoki, nixoka, nizithi ningoonyana baka-Abraham; ehleli nje uFaro, niziintlola, ngoko ke nize ezindlwini zamahenyukazi, ukuze ningaziwa.
30 Wathi uYosefu kubo, Ukuba nimfumene, kwaye inkosi yakhe ifuna ixabiso elikhulu kuni, ningamnika lona na? Bathi, Makalinikwe.
31 Wathi kubo, Ukuba inkosi yakhe ayivumi ukumnika ixabiso elikhulu, niya kumenza ntoni na ngenxa yakhe? Bamphendula bathi, Ukuba akayi kusinika, siya kumbulala, simthabathe umnakwethu, simke.
32 Wathi uYosefu kubo, Yiyo le nto ndiyithethileyo kuni; niziintlola, kuba nize kubulala abemi belizwe, kuba sivile ukuba abazalwana benu ababini bababulele bonke abemi baseShekem, ezweni lakwaKanan, ngenxa yodade wenu, kwaye ngoku nize kwenza okufanayo eYiputa ngenxa yomnakwenu.
33 Kuphela ngale nto ndiya kwazi ukuba ningabantu abanyanisekileyo: ukuba nithumela omnye kuni ukuba aye kuthabatha umninawa wenu omncinci kuyihlo, aze amzise apha kum, kwaye ngokwenza oku ndiya kwazi ukuba nilungile.
34 UYosefu wabiza amadoda akhe angamashumi asixhenxe anamandla, wathi kubo, Thabathani la madoda niwazise entolongweni.
35 Amadoda anamandla awathabatha amadoda alishumi, awabamba, awafaka entolongweni, aza ahlala entolongweni iintsuku ezintathu.
36 Ngomhla wesithathu uYosefu wabakhupha entolongweni, wathi kubo, Yenzani oku kuni, ukuba ninyanisile, ukuze niphile; omnye wabazalwana benu makavalelwe entolongweni, nize nihambe niyise ingqolowa yendlu yenu ezweni lakwaKanan, nize nimzise umninawa wenu omncinci, nimzise apha kum, ukuze ndazi ukuba ninyanisile, xa nenza oku.
37 Waphuma uYosefu kubo, wangena egumbini, walila kakhulu, kuba wayenosizi ngabo, wahlamba ubuso bakhe, wabuyela kubo kwakhona, waza wamthabatha uSimeyon kubo, wayalela ukuba aboshwe, kodwa uSimeyon wayengafuni ukwenziwa njalo, kuba wayeyindoda enamandla kakhulu kwaye babengenakumbopha.
38 UYosefu wabiza amadoda akhe anamandla kwaye amadoda angamashumi asixhenxe anobukroti eza phambi kwakhe ephethe amakrele arholiweyo ezandleni zawo, baza oonyana bakaYakobi boyika ngenxa yabo.
39 Wathi uYosefu kubo, Mbambeni lo mntu nize nimvalele entolongweni bade bafike abazalwana bakhe kuye, amadoda akhaliphileyo kaYosefu akhawuleza aza ambamba uSimeyon ukuze ambophe, waza uSimeyon wakhala kakhulu kwaye isikhalo savakala kude.
40 Onke amadoda anamandla kaYosefu oyika kakhulu ngesandi sesikhalo, awa ngobuso, oyika kakhulu, abaleka.
41 Onke amadoda awayenoYosefu abaleka, kuba ayesoyika kakhulu ubomi bawo, kwasala uYosefu noManase unyana wakhe kuphela apho, waza uManase unyana kaYosefu wabona amandla kaSimeyon, waza wacaphuka kakhulu.
42 UManase unyana kaYosefu wesuka waya kuSimeyon, waza uManase wambetha kakhulu uSimeyon ngesibhakela sakhe entanyeni yakhe, waza uSimeyon wazola umsindo wakhe.
43 UManase wambamba uSimeyon, wambamba ngamandla, wambopha, wamsa endlwini yokuvalelwa entolongweni, baza bonke oonyana bakaYakobi bamangaliswa sisenzo sobutsha.
44 USimeyon wathi kubazalwana bakhe, Akukho namnye kuni omele athi oku kukubethwa komYiputa, kodwa kukubethwa kwendlu kabawo.
45 Emva koko uYosefu wayalela ukuba abizwe lowo wayephethe indlu yokugcina izinto, ukuba azalise iingxowa zabo ngengqolowa kangangoko babenako ukuyithwala, aze abuyisele imali yomntu ngamnye

engxoweni yakhe, aze abanike nomphako wendlela, wenjenjalo kubo.
46 UYosefu wabayalela, esithi, Lumkani ningawugqithi umyalelo wam wokuzisa umninawa wenu, njengoko benditshilo kuni; kuya kuthi, xa nimzisa umninawa wenu kum, ndize ndazi ukuba ningamadoda athembekileyo, nize nirhwebe kweli lizwe, ndize ndinibuyisele umninawa wenu kuni, nibuyele kuyihlo ngoxolo.
47 Baphendula bonke bathi, Njengoko inkosi yethu itshilo, siya kwenza njalo. Baqubuda kuye emhlabeni.
48 Bathi bonke bathwala ingqolowa yabo e-esileni labo, baphuma baya kwilizwe laseKanan kuyise; bafika endlwini yabahambi, uLevi wandlala ingxowa yakhe ukuze anike i-esile lakhe ukutya, akubona, wabona imali yakhe yonke isesengxowani yakhe.
49 Indoda yoyika kakhulu, yathi kubazalwana bayo, Imali yam ibuyisiwe; nantsi isesangweni lam. Amadoda oyika kakhulu, athi, Yintoni na le uThixo ayenzileyo kuthi?
50 Bathi bonke, Iphi na inceba yeNkosi koobawo bethu, kuAbraham, kuIsake, nakuYakobi, ukuba iNkosi isinikele namhlanje esandleni sokumkani waseYiputa ukuba asicebe?
51 Wathi uYuda kubo, Inene, sinetyala kuYehova uThixo wethu, ngokuba sithengise ngomninawa wethu, inyama yethu; nithini na ukuthi, Iphi na inceba kaYehova koobawo?
52 Wathi uRubhen kubo, Bendingatshongo na kuni ukuthi, Musani ukumona umfana, anandiphulaphula? Kaloku uThixo uyamfuna kuthi; ningathini na ukuthi, Iphi na inceba kaYehova koobawo, nithe nina nonile kuYehova?
53 Balala apho, bavuka kusasa, bawathwalisa ingqolowa amaesile abo, bawaqhuba, bemka, bafika endlwini kayise ezweni lakwaKanan.
54 UYakobi nendlu yakhe baphuma baya kuhlangana noonyana bakhe, waza uYakobi wabona ukuba umntakwabo uSimeyon wayengekho kunye nabo, waza uYakobi wathi koonyana bakhe, Uphi na umntakwabo uSimeyon, endingamboniyo? Oonyana bakhe bamxelela konke okwabahleleyo eYiputa.

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1 Bangena endlwini yabo, bavula elowo ingxowa yakhe, babona isiqhuma semali salowo nalowo, batsho boyika kakhulu bona noyise.
2 Wathi uYakobi kubo, Yintoni na le nindenze yona? Ndithumele umninawa wenu uYosefu ukuba aye kuhlola impilo yenu, naza nathi kum, Udliwe lirhamncwa.
3 USimeyon uhambe nani ukuya kuthenga ukutya nize nithi ukumkani waseYiputa umvalele entolongweni, nize nifune ukuthatha uBhenjamin ukuze nimbulale, nize nehlise iinwele zam ezingwevu engcwabeni ndibuhlungu ngenxa kaBhenjamin nomntakwabo uYosefu.
4 Ke ngoko unyana wam akayi kuhla nani, kuba umntakwabo ufile, yena usele yedwa, aze ahlelwe yingozi endleleni eniyihambayo, njengoko kwamehlelayo umntakwabo.
5 Wathi uRubhen kuyise, Ningababulali oonyana bam bobabini, ukuba andimzisanga unyana wakho, ndimbeke phambi kwenu; wathi uYakobi koonyana bakhe, Hlalani apha, ningehli niye eYiputa; kuba unyana wam akayi kuhla nani aye eYiputa, angafi njengomnakwabo.
6 Wathi uYuda kubo, Myekeni ade agqibe ingqolowa, aze athi, Mthabatheni umninawa wenu, xa efumana umphefumlo wakhe nowendlu yakhe usengozini yendlala.
7 Ngaloo mihla indlala yayinzima kulo lonke ilizwe, yaye bonke abantu behlabathi baya eYiputa ukuze bathenge ukutya, kuba indlala yayinzima kakhulu phakathi kwabo, baza oonyana bakaYakobi bahlala eKanan unyaka oneenyanga ezimbini de kwagqitywa ukutya kwabo.
8 Kwathi emva kokuba ingqolowa yabo iphelile, yonke indlu kaYakobi yalamba kakhulu, kwaye bonke abantwana abancinci boonyana bakaYakobi bahlangana baza basondela kuYakobi, baza bonke bamngqonga, bathi kuye, Siphe isonka, kwaye kutheni na ukuba sonke sife yindlala phambi kwakho?
9 UYakobi weva amazwi abantwana bonyana wakhe, walila kakhulu, wasikwa yimfesane ngabo, waza uYakobi wabiza oonyana bakhe, bonke beza bahlala phambi kwakhe.
10 Wathi uYakobi kubo, Anibonanga na ukuba abantwana benu bandililela namhlanje, besithi, Sipheni isonka, kungabikho? Buyani ke ngoku, nisithengele intwana yokutya.
11 Waphendula uYuda wathi kuyise, Ukuba uyamthuma umninawa wethu nathi, siya kuhla siye kukuthengela ingqolowa, kwaye ukuba awumthumeli, asiyi kuhla, kuba ngokuqinisekileyo ukumkani waseYiputa wasiyalela ngokukodwa, esithi, Aniyi kububona ubuso bam ngaphandle kokuba umninawa wenu abe nani, kuba ukumkani waseYiputa ngukumkani onamandla nonamandla, kwaye khangela ukuba siya kuye ngaphandle komninawa wethu, siya kubulawa sonke.
12 Awazi na kwaye awuvanga na ukuba lo kumkani unamandla kakhulu kwaye ulumkile, kwaye akukho unjengaye emhlabeni wonke? Khangela, sibabonile bonke ookumkani bomhlaba kwaye asimbonanga omnye onjengalowo kumkani, ukumkani waseYiputa; ngokuqinisekileyo phakathi kwabo bonke ookumkani bomhlaba akukho mntu mkhulu kunoAbhimeleki ukumkani wamaFilisti, kodwa ukumkani waseYiputa mkhulu kwaye unamandla kunaye, kwaye uAbhimeleki unokuthelekiswa nomnye wamagosa akhe.
13 Bawo, awuzange uyibone indlu yakhe netrone yakhe, nabo bonke abakhonzi bakhe bemi phambi kwakhe; awuzange uyibone loo kumkani etroneni yakhe enobukhazikhazi nenkangeleko yobukhosi, enxibe izambatho zakhe zobukhosi enesithsaba esikhulu segolide entlokweni yakhe; awuzange uyibone imbeko nozuko uThixo alunike yena, kuba akukho unjengaye emhlabeni wonke.
14 Bawo, awubonanga ubulumko, ukuqonda nolwazi uThixo alunike entliziyweni yakhe, kwaye awuzange ulive ilizwi lakhe elimnandi xa wayethetha nathi.
15 Asazi, bawo, ukuba ngubani owamchazela amagama ethu nazo zonke izinto ezisihleleyo, kodwa wabuza nawe, wathi, Uyihlo usaphila na, kwaye uphilile na?
16 Awuzange uyibone imicimbi yorhulumente waseYiputa ilawulwa nguye, ngaphandle kokubuza kuFaro inkosi yakhe; awuzange uyibone intlonipho noloyiko awalufaka kuwo onke amaYiputa.
17 Kananjalo xa sasimshiya, sasongela ukwenza iYiputa njengeminye imizi yama-Amori, saza sacaphuka kakhulu ngamazwi akhe onke awawathethayo ngathi njengeentlola,

kwaye ngoku xa sibuya sifike phambi kwakhe uloyiko lwakhe luya kusifikela sonke, kwaye akukho namnye kuthi oya kukwazi ukuthetha naye nokuba yinto encinci okanye enkulu.
18 Ngoko ke, tata, nceda uthumele umfana kunye nathi, size siye kukuthenga ukutya, singafi yindlala.” Wathi uYakobi: “Kutheni nindenzele ububi kangaka, nize nixelele ukumkani ukuba ninomntakwenu? Yintoni le nindenze yona?”
19 Wathi uYuda kuYakobi uyise, Mnike umfana esandleni sam, sisuke siye eYiputa, sithenge ingqolowa, size sibuye; kothi xa sibuya, ukuba umfana akakho, ndibe netyala kuwe ngonaphakade.
20 Ngaba ubabonile bonke abantwana bethu belilela wena ngenxa yendlala, kwaye ungenawo amandla okubondla esandleni sakho? Ngoko ke makube nenceba kubo, umthumele umnakwethu nathi, size sihambe.
21 Kuba ububele bukaYehova kookhokho bethu buya kubonakala njani kuwe xa uthi ukumkani waseYiputa uza kumthabatha unyana wakho? Njengoko uYehova ephila, andiyi kumshiya ndide ndimzise ndimbeke phambi kwakho; kodwa sithandazele kuYehova, ukuze asiphathe ngobubele, ukuze asamkeleke kakuhle phambi kokumkani waseYiputa namadoda akhe, kuba ukuba besingalibazisanga, ngesele sibuyile okwesibini nonyana wakho.
22 Wathi uYakobi koonyana bakhe, Ndithembele eNkosini uThixo ukuba inokunihlangula ize ininike ubabalo emehlweni okumkani waseYiputa, naphambi kwawo onke amadoda akhe.
23 Ngoko ke sukani niye kuloo ndoda, nithabathele esandleni sayo isipho kwizinto ezifumanekayo kweli lizwe, nisizise phambi kwayo, ukuze uThixo uSomandla aninike inceba phambi kwayo, ukuze ithumele uBhenjamin noSimeyon abazalwana benu kunye nani.
24 Asuka onke amadoda, athabatha uBhenjamin umninawa wawo, athabatha esandleni sawo isipho esikhulu sezona zilungileyo zelizwe, kunye nesahlulo sesilivere esiphindwe kabini.
25 UYakobi wabawisela umthetho oonyana bakhe ngoBhenjamin, esithi, Mlumkeleni endleleni enihamba ngayo, ningahlukani naye endleleni, nokuba eYiputa.
26 Wesuka uYakobi koonyana bakhe, wolula izandla zakhe, wathandaza kuYehova ngenxa yoonyana bakhe, esithi, Nkosi, Thixo wezulu nomhlaba, khumbula umnqophiso wakho nobawo uAbraham, khumbula nobawo uIsake, ube nenceba koonyana bam, ungabanikeli esandleni sokumkani waseYiputa; kwenze oko, Thixo, ngenxa yenceba yakho, ukhulule bonke abantwana bam, ubahlangule emandleni aseYiputa, ubathumelele abazalwana babo ababini.
27 Bonke abafazi boonyana bakaYakobi nabantwana babo baphakamisa amehlo abo ezulwini, baza bonke balila phambi kweNkosi, bakhala kuyo ukuba ikhulule ooyise esandleni sokumkani waseYiputa.
28 UYakobi wabhala ingxelo kukumkani waseYiputa, wayinika uYuda noonyana bakhe, ukumkani waseYiputa, esithi,
29 Ukususela kumkhonzi wakho uYakobi, unyana kaIsake, unyana ka-Abraham umHebhere, isikhulu sikaThixo, ukuya kukumkani onamandla nolumkileyo, umtyhili weemfihlakalo, ukumkani waseYiputa, ukubingelela.
30 Makwazeke enkosini yam, kumkani waseYiputa, ukuba indlala ibisithwaxa kakhulu ezweni lakwaKanan, ndaza ndathumela oonyana bam kuwe, ukuba basithengele ukutya okuncinci kuwe, ukuze sifumane inkxaso.
31 Kuba oonyana bam bandijikelezile, kwaye mna ndimdala kakhulu andikwazi ukubona ngamehlo am, kuba amehlo am abe nzima ngenxa yokwaluphala, kunye nokulila imihla ngemihla ngenxa yonyana wam, ngenxa kaYosefu owayelahlekile phambi kwam, kwaye ndabayalela oonyana bam ukuba bangangeni emasangweni esixeko xa befika eYiputa, ngenxa yabemi belizwe.
32 Kananjalo ndabayalela ukuba bajikeleze iYiputa baye kufuna unyana wam uYosefu, mhlawumbi banokumfumana apho, baza benza njalo, waza wena wabajonga njengeentlola zelizwe.
33 Asivanga na ngawe ukuba umtyhilele iphupha likaFaro waza wathetha inyaniso kuye? Phofu ke, awazi njani ngobulumko bakho ukuba oonyana bam baziintlola okanye abazizo?
34 Ke ngoko, nkosi yam nokumkani, khangela, ndimthumele unyana wam phambi kwakho, njengoko wathethayo koonyana bam; ndiyakubongoza ukuba ubeke amehlo akho kuye ade abuye kum enoxolo nabazalwana bakhe.
35 Kuba awazi na, okanye awuzange uve oko uThixo wethu wakwenzayo kuFaro xa wathabatha uSara umama, noko wakwenzayo kuAbhimeleki ukumkani wamaFilisti ngenxa yakhe, noko ubawo wethu uAbraham wakwenzayo kookumkani abalithoba bakwa-Elam, ukuba wababulala bonke ngamadoda ambalwa awayenaye?
36 Kananjalo oko oonyana bam ababini uSimeyon noLevi bakwenzayo kwizixeko ezisibhozo zama-Amori, indlela abazitshabalalisa ngayo ngenxa yodade wabo uDina?
37 Kananjalo ngenxa yomntakwabo uBhenjamin bazithuthuzela ngokulahlekelwa ngumntakwabo uYosefu; baza kumenzela ntoni ke xa bebona isandla sabantu siboyisa, ngenxa yakhe?
38 Awazi na, kumkani waseYiputa, ukuba amandla kaThixo anathi, nokuba uThixo uhlala eyiva imithandazo yethu kwaye akasishiyi yonke imihla?
39 Kwaye xa oonyana bam bandixelela ngezenzo zakho nabo, andizange ndibize kuYehova ngenxa yenu, kuba ngewutshabalele kunye namadoda akho ngaphambi kokuba unyana wam uBhenjamin eze phambi kwenu, kodwa ndicinge ukuba njengoko uSimeyon unyana wam wayesendlwini yenu, mhlawumbi ningamenzela ububele, ngoko ke andikwenzanga oku kuwe.
40 Ngoku ke nanku unyana wam uBhenjamin esiza kuwe noonyana bam, mlumkele uze umjonge, aze uThixo abeke amehlo akhe phezu kwakho nakuwo wonke ubukumkani bakho.
41 Ngoku ndikuxelele konke okusentliziyweni yam, kwaye khangela oonyana bam beze kuwe kunye nomntakwabo, bahlole ubuso bomhlaba wonke ngenxa yabo baze bababuyisele ngoxolo nabazalwana babo.
42 UYakobi wanika oonyana bakhe ingxelo phantsi kolwalathiso lukaYuda ukuze ayinike ukumkani waseYiputa.

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1 Besuka oonyana bakaYakobi, bamthabatha uBhenjamin nayo yonke iminikelo, baya eYiputa, bema phambi koYosefu.
2 UYosefu wabona umntakwabo uBhenjamin ekunye nabo waza wababulisa, baza la madoda afika endlwini kaYosefu.
3 UYosefu wayalela umphathi wendlu yakhe ukuba anike abazalwana bakhe ukutya, waza wenza njalo kubo.
4 Kwathi ngexesha lasemini uYosefu wathumela ukuba amadoda eze phambi kwakhe noBhenjamin, yaye amadoda amxelela umphathi wendlu kaYosefu ngemali eyayibuyiselwe kwiingxowa zawo, waza wathi kuwo, “Kuza kunilungela, musani ukoyika.” Waza wabazisa uSimon umzalwana wabo.
5 Wathi uSimeyon kubazalwana bakhe, Inkosi yamaYiputa indenzele inceba enkulu, ayindigcinanga ndibotshiwe, njengoko nibonileyo ngamehlo enu; kuba ekuphumeni kwenu esixekweni yandikhulula, yandenzela inceba endlwini yayo.
6 UYuda wambamba uBhenjamin ngesandla, baza bafika phambi koYosefu, baqubuda kuye emhlabeni.
7 Amadoda amnika uYosefu isipho, aza ahlala phambi kwakhe, waza uYosefu wathi kuwo, “Niphilile, niphilile nabantwana benu, noyihlo omdala?” Bathi, “Kuphilile.” UYuda wathabatha ingxelo awayeyithumele uYakobi, wayinika uYosefu.
8 UYosefu wayifunda incwadi waza wayazi imibhalo kayise, waza wanqwenela ukulila waza wangena kwigumbi elingaphakathi waza walila kakhulu; waza waphuma.
9 Waphakamisa amehlo akhe, wambona uBhenjamin umninawa wakhe, wathi, Nguye lo na umninawa wenu enanithetha ngaye kum? UBhenjamin wasondela kuYosefu, uYosefu wabeka isandla sakhe entlokweni yakhe, wathi kuye, Ngamana uThixo angakubabala nyana wam.
10 Wathi uYosefu akumbona umntakwabo, unyana kanina, wafuna kwakhona ukulila, wangena egumbini, walila khona, wahlamba ubuso bakhe, waphuma, wazibamba ekulileni, wathi, Lungisani ukutya.
11 UYosefu wayephethe indebe awayeyisela kuyo, yaye yayiyeyesilivere ehonjiswe kakuhle ngamatye e-onikis nebhedolaki, waza uYosefu wayibetha indebe emehlweni abantakwabo ngelixa babehleli ukuze badle naye.
12 Wathi uYosefu kumadoda, Ndiyazi ngale ndebe ukuba uRubhen amazibulo, uSimon, noLevi, noYuda, noIsakare, noZebhulon, ngabantwana bomama omnye, hlalani phantsi nidle ngokwemihla yenu.
13 Wababeka nabanye ngokwezizukulwana zabo, wathi, Ndiyazi ukuba lo mninawa wenu akanamnakwenu, kwaye mna, njengaye, andinamnakwenu, ngoko ke uya kuhlala phantsi adle nam.
14 UBhenjamin wenyuka waya phambi kukaYosefu waza wahlala etroneni, amadoda azibona izenzo zikaYosefu, aza amangaliswa zizo; amadoda adla aza asela ngelo xesha noYosefu, waza ke wabanika izipho, waza uYosefu wanika uBhenjamin isipho esinye, waza uManase noEfrayim bazibona izenzo zikayise, baza nabo bamnika izipho, waza uOsnati wamnika isipho esinye, kwaye zazizizipho ezihlanu esandleni sikaBhenjamin.
15 UYosefu wabakhuphela iwayini ukuba basele, kodwa abazange bavume ukusela, baza bathi, Ukususela ngomhla wokulahleka kukaYosefu, asizange sisele wayini, kwaye asizange sidle nantoni na emnandi.
16 UYosefu wabafungisa, waza wabacinezela kakhulu, baza basela kakhulu naye ngaloo mini, waza emva koko uYosefu wajika waya kumntakwabo uBhenjamin ukuze athethe naye, kwaye uBhenjamin wayesahleli etroneni phambi koYosefu.
17 Wathi uYosefu kuye, Ngaba uzele bantwana? Wathi, Umkhonzi wakho unoonyana abalishumi, kwaye la ngamagama abo: uBhela, uBhekere, uAshbhali, uGera, uNahaman, uAhi, uRosh, uMupim, uChupim, noOrd, kwaye ndibabize ngamagama omnakwethu endingazange ndimbone.
18 Wabayalela ukuba bazise phambi kwakhe imephu yakhe yeenkwenkwezi, uYosefu awayezazi rhoqo, waza uYosefu wathi kuBhenjamin, Ndivile ukuba amaHebhere ayazi yonke into, ngaba uyayazi na le nto?
19 Wathi uBhenjamin, Umkhonzi wakho uyazi nobulumko bonke awandifundisa bona ubawo. Wathi uYosefu kuBhenjamin, Khawukhangele esi sixhobo, uqonde apho ukhona umninawa wakho uYosefu eYiputa, owathi wehla waya eYiputa.
20 UBhenjamin wabona eso sixhobo sinemephu yeenkwenkwezi zezulu, waza walumka waza wajonga kuso ukuze azi apho umntakwabo wayekhona, waza uBhenjamin wahlulahlula lonke ilizwe laseYiputa laba zizabelo ezine, waza wafumanisa ukuba lowo wayehleli etroneni phambi kwakhe yayingumntakwabo uYosefu, waza uBhenjamin wamangaliswa kakhulu, waza uYosefu wabona ukuba umntakwabo uBhenjamin wayemangaliswe kakhulu, wathi kuBhenjamin, Ubone ntoni na, kwaye kutheni umangalisiwe?
21 UBhenjamin wathi kuYosefu, Ndiyabona ngale nto ukuba uYosefu umntakwethu uhleli apha nam etroneni, waza uYosefu wathi kuye, NdinguYosefu umntakwenu, musa ukutyhila oku kubazalwana bakho; qaphela ndiya kukuthuma nabo xa bemkile, kwaye ndiya kubayalela ukuba babuyiselwe kwakhona esixekweni, kwaye ndiya kukuthabatha kude nabo.
22 Kwaye ukuba banokuba nesibindi baze bakulwele, ndiya kwazi ke ukuba baguqukile koko bakwenzileyo kum, kwaye ndiya kuzazisa kubo, kwaye ukuba baya kukushiya xa ndikuthabatha, uya kuhlala nam, kwaye ndiya kulwa nabo, kwaye baya kuhamba, kwaye andiyi kuziwa kubo.
23 Ngelo xesha uYosefu wayalela umphathi wakhe ukuba azalise iingxowa zabo ngokutya, afake imali yalowo nalowo engxoweni yakhe, abeke indebe engxoweni kaBhenjamin, abanike nomphako wendlela; benjenjalo ke kubo.
24 Ngengomso amadoda avuka kusasa, athwala ingqolowa yawo emaesileni awo, aphuma noBhenjamin, aya ezweni lakwaKanan, noBhenjamin umzalwana wawo.
25 Babengekayi kude neYiputa xa uYosefu wayalela umphathi wendlu yakhe, esithi, Suka, uwasukele la madoda engekafiki kude neYiputa, uthi kuwo, Niyibeleni indebe yenkosi yam?
26 Igosa likaYosefu laphakama, lafika kubo, lathetha kubo onke amazwi kaYosefu; bakuva oku, bacaphuka kakhulu, bathi, Lowo ifunyenwe kuye indebe yenkosi yakho uya kufa, nathi sibe ngamakhoboka.
27 Bakhawuleza, bathabatha ingxowa yabo, bakhangela ezingxoweni zabo, bafumanisa indebe engxowani kaBhenjamin, bazikrazula iingubo zabo, babuyela

esixekweni, bamxabela uBhenjamin endleleni, bemxabela rhoqo de wafika esixekweni, bema phambi koYosefu.
28 Wavutha umsindo kaYuda, wathi, Lo mntu undibuyisele nje ukuba nditshabalalise iYiputa namhla.
29 Amadoda afika endlwini kaYosefu, amfumana uYosefu ehleli etroneni yakhe, nawo onke amadoda anamandla emi ngasekunene nangasekhohlo kwakhe.
30 Wathi uYosefu kubo, Nisenzile ntoni na esi senzo, nathabatha indebe yam yesilivere, nahamba? Ndiyazi ukuba nathabatha indebe yam, ukuze nazi ukuba umninawa wenu ukuliphi na ilizwe?
31 Wathi uYuda, Siya kuthini na enkosini yethu, sithini na, size sizigwebe njani na? UThixo ubufumene namhla ubugwenxa babakhonzi bakho bonke, yiyo loo nto esenze le nto kuthi namhla.
32 Wasuka uYosefu wambamba uBhenjamin waza wamthabatha phakathi kwabazalwana bakhe ngogonyamelo, waza weza endlwini waza watshixa ucango kubo, waza uYosefu wayalela lowo wayephethe indlu yakhe ukuba athi kubo, Utsho ukumkani ukuthi, Hambani niye kuyihlo ngoxolo, khangelani, ndimthabathile umntu efunyenwe esandleni sakhe indebe yam.

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1 UYuda akukubona uYosefu ebenzela uYosefu, wasondela kuye, wavula ucango, wafika enabazalwana bakhe phambi koYosefu.
2 UJuda wathi kuYosefu: “Musa ukuba yinto embi emehlweni enkosi yam, ndicela umkhonzi wakho athethe ilizwi phambi kwakho.” Wathi uYosefu kuye: “Thetha.”
3 UYuda wathetha phambi koYosefu, nabazalwana bakhe bemi phambi kwabo; wathi uYuda kuYosefu, Mhla safika enkosini yethu okokuqala, sithenge ukutya, wawusithi siziintlola zelizwe, saza sazisa uBhenjamin phambi kwakho, usasihlekisa nanamhlanje.
4 Ngoko ke makaphulaphule ukumkani amazwi am, aze amthumele umnakwethu ukuba ahambe nathi aye kubawo, hleze umphefumlo wakho utshabalale namhla, wena nabo bonke abemi baseYiputa.
5 Awazi na into abayenzayo abazalwana bam ababini, uSimeyon noLevi, kwisixeko saseShekem, nakwizixeko ezisixhenxe zama-Amori, ngenxa kaDina udade wethu, kunye nento ababeza kuyenza ngenxa yomnakwabo uBhenjamin?
6 Mna, ngamandla am, endimkhulu kwaye ndinamandla kunabo bababini, ndiza kuwe namhla nakwilizwe lakho ukuba awuvumi ukumthumela umzalwana wethu.
7 Awuvanga na oko uThixo wethu owasinyulayo wakwenzayo kuFaro ngenxa kaSara umama wethu, awamthabathayo kubawo, ngokumbetha yena nendlu yakhe ngezibetho ezinzima, kangangokuba amaYiputa asaxela lo mmangaliso omnye komnye nanamhlanje? UThixo wethu uya kwenza njalo nakuwe ngenxa kaBhenjamin omthabathileyo kuyise namhlanje, nangenxa yobubi obuziqwenga phezu kwethu namhlanje ezweni lakho; kuba uThixo wethu uya kuwukhumbula umnqophiso wakhe noAbraham ubawo aze akuzisele ububi, kuba uwenze buhlungu umphefumlo kabawo namhlanje.
8 Ngoko ke phulaphula amazwi am endiwathethileyo kuwe namhlanje, uze umthumele umninawa wethu ukuba ahambe, hleze wena nabantu belizwe lakho nife ngekrele, kuba aninakoyisa nonke.
9 UYosefu wamphendula uYuda, wathi, Yini na ukuba uvule umlomo wakho, uze uziqhayise ngathi, uthi, Amandla anawe? Ehleli nje uFaro, ukuba ndithe ndayalela onke amadoda am anobukroti ukuba alwe nawe, ngokuqinisekileyo wena naba bazalwana bakho niya kutshona eludakeni.
10 UYuda wathi kuYosefu, Inene, kufanelekile kuwe, nabantu bakho, ukuba nindoyike; njengoko uYehova ehleli, ukuba ndithe ndarhola ikrele lam, andiyi kuphinda ndilibeke esingxotyeni salo, ndide ndilibulale lonke iYiputa namhlanje, ndize ndiqale ngawe, ndigqibezele kuFaro inkosi yakho.
11 Waphendula uYosefu wathi kuye, Inene amandla akakho wedwa kuwe; Ndinamandla kwaye ndinamandla kunawe, ngokuqinisekileyo ukuba urhola ikrele lakho ndiya kulifaka entanyeni yakho nasezintanyeni zabantakwenu bonke.
12 Wathi uYuda kuye, Ukuba ndithe ndavula umlomo wam ngakuwe namhlanje, bendiya kukuginya, utshabalale emhlabeni, utshabalale ebukumkanini bakho namhlanje. Wathi uYosefu, Ukuba uvula umlomo wakho, ndinamandla okuwuvala umlomo wakho ngelitye, ude ungakwazi ukuthetha; khangela ukuba mangaphi amatye phambi kwethu, ndingathatha ilitye, ndilifake emlonyeni wakho, ndikwaphule imihlathi yakho.
13 Wathi uYuda, UThixo ulingqina phakathi kwethu, ukuba besingafuni kulwa nawe, sinikeni umninawa wethu, simke kuwe; waphendula uYosefu, wathi, Ehleli nje uFaro, ukuba bonke ookumkani bamaKanan bebehlanganisene nani, aniyi kumthabatha esandleni sam.
14 Ngoko ke hamba uye kuyihlo, kwaye umntakwenu uza kuba likhoboka lam, kuba uphange indlu yokumkani.” UYuda wathi: “Kutheni kuwe okanye kubuntu bukakumkani, ukumkani uza kuthumela isilivere negolide endlwini yakhe, nokuba zizipho okanye iindleko, kodwa usathetha ngendebe yakho oyibeke engxoweni yomntakwethu, uthi uyibile kuwe?”
15 Makangazeki ukuba umzalwana wethu uBhenjamin okanye nawuphi na wembewu ka-Abraham angenza le nto ukuze abe kuwe, okanye komnye umntu, nokuba ngukumkani, inkosana, okanye nawuphi na umntu.
16 Ngoko ke yekani esi simangalo hleze ihlabathi lonke live amazwi enu, nisithi, Ngemali encinci ukumkani waseYiputa uxabene namadoda, waza wawatyhola waza wathabatha umzalwana wawo waba likhoboka.
17 Waphendula uYosefu wathi, Thabathani le ndebe nimke kum nimshiye umnakwenu abe likhoboka, kuba kungumgwebo wesela ukuba likhoboka.
18 Wathi uYuda, Kutheni ungenazintloni ngamazwi akho okumshiya umntakwethu, uze uthathe indebe yakho? Ukuba usinika indebe yakho, okanye kaliwaka, asiyi kumshiya umntakwethu ngenxa yesilivere efunyenwe esandleni somntu, ukuze singafi ngenxa yakhe.
19 Waphendula uYosefu, wathi, Kutheni na ukuba umshiye umninawa wakho, nimthengise ngeesilivere ezingamashumi amabini, unanamhla, kwaye kutheni ungenzi okufanayo kulo mninawa wakho?

20 Wathi uYuda, UYehova ulingqina phakathi kwam nawe, ukuba asiyithandi imfazwe yakho; sinike ngoko ke umnakwethu, simke kuwe, singaxabananga.
21 Waphendula uYosefu wathi, Ukuba bonke ookumkani belizwe bathe bahlangana, abayi kukwazi ukumthabatha umninawa wenu esandleni sam; wathi uYuda, Siya kuthini na kubawo, xa ebona ukuba umninawa wethu akahambi nathi, aze amzilele?
22 Waphendula uYosefu wathi, Nali ilizwi eniya kulithetha kuyihlo, nithi, Intambo idlule emva kwebhakede.
23 Wathi uYuda, Ungukumkani, kutheni na uthetha ezi zinto, ugweba ngobuxoki? Yeha ke, kumkani onjengawe!
24 Waphendula uYosefu wathi, Akukho gwebo lobuxoki kwilizwi endalithethayo ngenxa yomntakwenu uYosefu, kuba nonke nimthengise kumaMidiyan ngeesilivere ezingamashumi amabini, kwaye nonke nakhanyela kuyihlo naza nathi kuye, Irhamncwa elibi limdlile, uYosefu uqwengiwe.
25 UYuda wathi, Yabona, umlilo kaShem uvutha entliziyweni yam, ngoku ndiza kuwutshisa wonke umhlaba wakho ngomlilo; waphendula uYosefu wathi, Ngokuqinisekileyo, udadewenu uTamare, owabulala oonyana bakho, uwucimile umlilo kaShekem.
26 Wathi uYuda, Ukuba ndithe ndayisusa nonwele olunye enyameni yam, ndoyizalisa yonke iYiputa ngegazi layo.
27 Waphendula uYosefu wathi, Le yindlela yenu yokwenza njengoko nenza ngayo kumntakwenu enamthengisayo, naza nayityibiliza ingubo yakhe egazini nayisa kuyihlo ukuze athi uqwengwe lirhamncwa elibi, nali igazi lakhe.
28 Akuyiva le nto uYuda, wacaphuka kakhulu, umsindo wakhe wavutha ngaphakathi kuye, kwaza kwabakho ilitye phambi kwakhe kuloo ndawo, ubunzima balo babumalunga neeshekele ezingamakhulu amane, waza wavutha umsindo kaYuda, walithabatha ilitye ngesandla esinye, waliphosa ezulwini, walibamba ngesandla sakhe sasekhohlo.
29 Waza wayibeka phantsi kwemilenze yakhe, wahlala phezu kwayo ngamandla akhe onke, laza ilitye laguquka laba luthuli oluvela kumkhosi kaYuda.
30 UYosefu wabona isenzo sikaYuda waza woyika kakhulu, kodwa wayalela uManasa unyana wakhe waza naye wenza ngelinye ilitye elifana nesenzo sikaYuda, waza uYuda wathi kubazalwana bakhe, Makungabikho namnye kuni othi, Lo mntu ngumYiputa, kodwa ngokwenza oku ungowosapho loobawo.
31 Wathi uYosefu, Asikuko nina nodwa eninikwe amandla, kuba nathi singamadoda anamandla, kutheni na nizigwagwisa ngathi sonke? Wathi uYuda kuYosefu, Ndicela umthumele umntakwethu kwaye ungalonakalisi ilizwe lakho namhlanje.
32 Waphendula uYosefu wathi kubo, Hambani niye kuxelela uyihlo, nithi, Irhamncwa elibi limdlile njengoko natshoyo ngomninawa wenu uYosefu.
33 Wathetha uYuda kumntakwabo uNafetali, wathi kuye, Khawuleza, khawubale zonke izitrato zaseYiputa, uze undixelele; wathi uSimeyon kuye, Musa ukukukhathaza oku; ndiya kuya entabeni, ndithabathe ilitye elikhulu entabeni, ndilibeke phezu kwayo yonke into eYiputa, ndibulale bonke abakuyo.
34 UYosefu weva onke la mazwi abawathethayo abantakwabo phambi kwakhe, bona babengazi ukuba uYosefu uyawaqonda, kuba babecinga ukuba wayengazi kuthetha isiHebhere.
35 UYosefu woyika kakhulu ngamazwi abantakwabo hleze batshabalalise iYiputa, waza wayalela unyana wakhe uManase, esithi, Hambani nikhawuleze nihlanganisele kum bonke abemi baseYiputa, nawo onke amadoda anobukroti, nize kum ngoku ngamahashe nangeenyawo nangazo zonke iintlobo zezixhobo zomculo, waza uManase wahamba wenza njalo.
36 UNafetali wahamba njengoko uYuda wayemyalele, kuba uNafetali wayenonyawo olukhaphukhaphu njengexhama elikhawulezayo, kwaye wayehamba ngeenkozo zengqolowa kwaye azizange zityhoboze phantsi kwakhe.
37 Wahamba waza wabala zonke izitrato zaseYiputa, waza wazifumana zilishumi elinesibini, waza wakhawuleza weza waxelela uYuda, wathi uYuda kubazalwana bakhe, Khawulezani nibophe elowo ikrele lakhe esinqeni sakhe, size sifike eYiputa, sibabulale bonke, kungabikho bani usindayo.
38 Wathi uYuda, Yabonani, ndiza kuzitshabalalisa izitrato ezintathu ngamandla am, nize nina nitshabalalise esinye isitrato; Akuba uYuda ethethile oku, khangela, abemi baseYiputa nabo bonke abanamandla beza kubo bephethe zonke iintlobo zezixhobo zomculo, bekhwaza kakhulu.
39 Inani labo lalingamakhulu amahlanu abakhweli bamahashe kunye namawaka alishumi eenqanawa ezihamba ngeenyawo, kunye namadoda angamakhulu amane awayekwazi ukulwa ngaphandle kwekrele okanye umkhonto, kuphela ngezandla namandla abo.
40 Onke amadoda anamandla eza ngesaqhwithi esikhulu nesikhwazayo, aza onke abarhangqa oonyana bakaYakobi, ebangcangcazelisa, waza umhlaba wanyikima ngesandi sokukhwaza kwabo.
41 Bakuba oonyana bakaYakobi bewabonile la maqela, boyika kakhulu ubomi babo, waza uYosefu wenza njalo ukuze oyise oonyana bakaYakobi ukuze bazole.
42 UYuda, ebona abanye babantakwabo besoyika, wathi kubo, Nisoyika ntoni na, kuba ubabalo lukaThixo lunathi? Akuba uYuda ebabonile bonke abantu baseYiputa bebangqongile ngokomyalelo kaYosefu wokuba boyike, nguYosefu kuphela owabayalelayo, esithi, Musani ukubachukumisa nanye kubo.
43 Waza uYuda wakhawuleza warhola ikrele lakhe, waza wakhala kakhulu, waze wabetha ngekrele lakhe, waza watsiba emhlabeni, waqhubeka ekhwaza nxamnye nabo bonke abantu.
44 Wathi akwenza oku, uYehova wabangela ukuba uloyiko lukaYuda nabazalwana bakhe luwele phezu kwamadoda anamandla nabo bonke abantu ababebangqongile.
45 Bonke basaba ngesandi sokukhwaza, baza boyika baza bawela omnye komnye, kwaye uninzi lwabo lwafa njengoko babewa, baza bonke babaleka phambi koYuda nabazalwana bakhe naphambi koYosefu.
46 Kwathi ngelixa besaba, uYuda nabazalwana bakhe babasukela baya endlwini kaFaro, baza bonke basinda, waza uYuda wahlala kwakhona phambi kukaYosefu waza wabhonga kuye njengengonyama, waza wamemeza kakhulu.
47 Isikhalo savakala kude, bonke abemi baseSukoti beva, kwaye lonke iYiputa lanyikima ngesandi sesikhalo, kwaye

neendonga zaseYiputa nelizwe laseGoshen zawa ngenxa yokushukuma komhlaba, noFaro naye wawa etroneni yakhe emhlabeni, kwaye nabo bonke abafazi abakhulelweyo baseYiputa naseGoshen baphuma isisu xa beva isandi sokushukuma, kuba babesoyika kakhulu.
48 UFaro wathumela ilizwi, esithi, Yintoni na le nto yenzekileyo namhlanje ezweni laseYiputa? Bafika bamxelela yonke into ukususela ekuqaleni ukuya ekugqibeleni, waza woyika uFaro, wamangaliswa, woyika kakhulu.
49 Uloyiko lwakhe lwakhula, akuva zonke ezi zinto, wathumela kuYosefu, esithi, Uzise kum amaHebhere ukuba atshabalalise lonke iYiputa; uza kwenza ntoni na ngaloo mkhonzi wesela? Mkhulule ahambe nabazalwana bakhe, singatshabalali ngenxa yobubi babo, thina, nawe, neYiputa yonke.
50 Ukuba awufuni ukwenza le nto, lahla zonke izinto zam ezixabisekileyo kuwe, uhambe nazo uye kwilizwe lazo, ukuba uyathanda, kuba namhlanje baya kulitshabalalisa lonke ilizwe lam, bababulale bonke abantu bam; bonke abafazi baseYiputa baphunyelwe zizisu ngenxa yesikhalo sabo; khangela ukuba benze ntoni ngokukhwaza nokuthetha kwabo, ngaphezu koko, ukuba balwa ngekrele, baya kulitshabalalisa ilizwe; ngoko ke khetha into oyifunayo, nokuba ndim okanye ngamaHebhere, nokuba yiYiputa okanye ilizwe lamaHebhere.
51 Bafika bamxelela uYosefu onke amazwi kaFaro awayewathethile ngaye, waza uYosefu woyika kakhulu ngamazwi kaFaro noYuda, kwaye abazalwana bakhe babesami phambi kukaYosefu becaphukile kwaye benomsindo, kwaye bonke oonyana bakaYakobi babhomboloza kuYosefu, njengokugquma kolwandle namaza alo.
52 UYosefu wayeboyika kakhulu abazalwana bakhe nangenxa kaFaro, waza uYosefu wafuna isizathu sokuzazisa kubazalwana bakhe, hleze batshabalalise lonke iYiputa.
53 UYosefu wamwisela umthetho unyana wakhe uManase; uManase wahamba waya kuYuda, wabeka isandla sakhe egxalabeni lakhe; umsindo kaYuda wadamba.
54 Wathi uYuda kubazalwana bakhe, Makungabikho namnye kuni othi esi sisenzo sobutsha baseYiputa kuba lo ngumsebenzi wendlu kabawo.
55 Uthe uYosefu, ebona, esazi ukuba umsindo kaYuda udambile, wasondela ukuze athethe noYuda ngolwimi oluthambileyo.
56 Wathi uYosefu kuYuda, Inene, uthetha inyaniso, kwaye namhla uziqinisekisile izibhengezo zakho ngamandla akho, kwaye ngamana uThixo wakho ovuyayo ngawe angakwandisa impilo yakho; kodwa ndixelele ngenene ukuba kutheni na phakathi kwabo bonke abazalwana bakho uxabana nam ngenxa yalo mfana, kuba akukho namnye kubo othethe nelizwi elinye kum ngaye.
57 UYuda wamphendula uYosefu, wathi, Uyazi kakuhle ukuba ndibe ngummeli womfana kuyise, ndisithi, Ukuba andimzisanga kuye, ndoba netyala kuye ngonaphakade.
58 Kungoko ke ndize kuwe phakathi kwabo bonke abazalwana bam, kuba ndibone ukuba awufuni ukumvumela ukuba ahambe kuwe; ngoku ke ngoko ngamana ndinokufumana ubabalo emehlweni akho lokuba umthumele ukuba ahambe nathi, kwaye khangela, ndiya kuhlala endaweni yakhe, ukuze ndikukhonze kuyo nayiphi na into oyifunayo, kuba naphi na apho undithumela khona ndiya kuya ndikukhonze ngamandla amakhulu.
59 Ndithumelele kukumkani onamandla okuvukelayo, uze wazi into endiya kuyenza kuye nakwilizwe lakhe; nangona enokuba namahashe nabakhweli bamahashe okanye abantu abanamandla kakhulu, ndiza kubabulala bonke ndize ndizise intloko yokumkani phambi kwakho.
60 Awazi okanye awuvanga na ukuba ubawo wethu uAbraham kunye nesicaka sakhe uEliyezere babulala bonke ookumkani base-Elam kunye nemikhosi yabo ngobusuku obunye, abashiyanga namnye osindileyo? kwaye ukususela ngaloo mini amandla kabawo anikwa thina njengelifa, lethu kunye nembewu yethu ngonaphakade.
61 Waphendula uYosefu wathi, Nithetha inyaniso, akukho buxoki emlonyeni wenu, kuba sixelelwe nokuba amaHebhere anamandla kwaye iNkosi uThixo wawo iyawathanda kakhulu, kwaye ngubani na ke onokuma phambi kwawo?
62 Nangona kunjalo, ngale meko ndiya kumthumela umntakwenu, ukuba niza kumzisa umntakwabo unyana kanina, enathi ngaye wehla waya eYiputa; kwaye kuya kuthi xa nizisa kum umntakwabo ndiza kumthabatha esikhundleni sakhe, kuba akukho namnye kuni owayebambisene noyise, kwaye xa efika kum, ndiya kumthumela kunye nani umntakwabo enibe ngabambisene naye.
63 UYuda wavutha umsindo kuYosefu, akuba ethethile eli lizwi, amehlo akhe atsho ngegazi ngumsindo, wathi kubazalwana bakhe, Lo mntu ufuna njani na namhlanje ukutshabalalisa yena, nayo yonke iYiputa!
64 USimon wamphendula uYosefu, wathi, Besingakuxelelanga na ekuqaleni, ukuba besingazi indawo aye kuyo, nokuba ufile, nokuba uphilile, na? Kutheni na ke inkosi yam ithetha ngolu hlobo?
65 UYosefu wabubona ubuso bukaYuda, waqonda ukuba umsindo wakhe uyavutha xa wayethetha naye, esithi, Zisani kum omnye umninawa wenu esikhundleni salo mninawa.
66 Wathi uYosefu kubantakwabo, Ngokuqinisekileyo nithe umntakwenu mhlawumbi ufile okanye ulahlekile, ngoku ukuba ndingambiza namhlanje aze eze phambi kwenu, ningamnika mna endaweni yomntakwabo?
67 Waza uYosefu waqala ukuthetha waza wabiza, Yosefu, Yosefu, yiza phambi kwam namhlanje, uze ubonakale kubantakwenu uze uhlale phambi kwabo.
68 Kwaye xa uYosefu wayethetha le nto phambi kwabo, bajongana ngendlela eyahlukileyo ukuze babone apho uYosefu wayeza kuvela khona phambi kwabo.
69 UYosefu wazibona zonke izenzo zabo, wathi kubo, Kutheni na nikhangela apha naphaya? NdinguYosefu enamthengisa eYiputa, ngoko ke maningabi buhlungu kukuba nandithengisa, kuba uThixo wandithuma phambi kwenu ukuba ndibe ngumxhasi ngexesha lendlala.
70 Baza abantakwabo boyika kakhulu xa beva amazwi kaYosefu, waza uYuda woyika kakhulu.
71 Akuba uBhenjamin ewevile amazwi kaYosefu, wayephambi kwabo ngaphakathi endlwini, waza uBhenjamin wabaleka waya kuYosefu umntakwabo, wamanga waza wawa entanyeni yakhe, baza balila.

72 Bathi abantakwaboYosefu bakubona ukuba uBhenjamin uwele entanyeni yomntakwabo waza walila naye, nabo bawela kuYosefu baza bamwola, baza balila kakhulu noYosefu.
73 Kwaye ilizwi lavakala endlwini kaYosefu lokuba bangabazalwana bakaYosefu, kwaye kwamkholisa kakhulu uFaro, kuba wayesoyika ukuba hleze bayitshabalalise iYiputa.
74 UFaro wathumela abakhonzi bakhe kuYosefu ukuba baye kuvuyisana naye ngabazalwana bakhe ababeze kuye, kwaye bonke abaphathi bemikhosi kunye nemikhosi eyayiseYiputa beza kuvuya noYosefu, kwaye lonke iYiputa lavuya kakhulu ngabazalwana bakaYosefu.
75 UFaro wathumela abakhonzi bakhe kuYosefu, esithi, Yitsho kubantakwenu ukuba bathabathe yonke into yabo, beze kum, ndibabeke kweyona ndawo intle yelizwe laseYiputa, benjenjalo.
76 UYosefu wayalela lowo wayephethe indlu yakhe ukuba azise kubazalwana bakhe izipho neengubo, waza wabazisela iingubo ezininzi, iingubo zobukhosi nezipho ezininzi, waza uYosefu wazabela phakathi kwabazalwana bakhe.
77 Waza wanika ngamnye wabazalwana bakhe iingubo zokutshintsha zegolide nezesilivere, kunye neengqekembe zesilivere ezingamakhulu amathathu, waza uYosefu wabayalela ukuba bonke banxibe ezi zambatho, baze baziswe phambi koFaro.
78 UFaro, ebona ukuba bonke abazalwana bakaYosefu bangamadoda anamandla, emhle imbonakalo, wavuya kakhulu.
79 Emva koko baphuma ebusweni bukaFaro baya kwilizwe lakwaKanan, kuyise, kunye nomntakwabo uBhenjamin.
80 Wavuka uYosefu wabanika iinqwelo ezilishumi elinanye ezivela kuFaro, waza uYosefu wabanika inqwelo yakhe yokulwa, awayekhwele kuyo ngomhla wokubekwa kwakhe eYiputa, ukuze alande uyise eYiputa; waza uYosefu wathumela kubo bonke abantwana babantakwabo, iingubo ngokwenani labo, kunye neengqekembe zesilivere ezilikhulu kuye ngamnye wabo, waza wathumela neengubo kubafazi babantakwabo ezivela kwiingubo zabafazi bokumkani, waza wabathumela.
81 Waza wanika ngamnye wabazalwana bakhe amadoda alishumi ukuba ahambe nabo baye kwilizwe laseKanan ukuze babakhonze, bakhonze abantwana babo nabo bonke abanabo ekuzeni kwabo eYiputa.
82 Kwaye uYosefu wathumela ngesandla somntakwabo uBhenjamini iingubo ezilishumi zokwaleka koonyana bakhe abalishumi, isabelo esingaphezulu kunesabanye abantwana boonyana bakaYakobi.
83 Wathumela kuye ngamnye iisilivere ezingamashumi amahlanu, neenqwelo ezilishumi ngenxa kaFaro, wathumela kuyise iimazi zeenkomo ezilishumi ezithwele zonke izinto zodidi zaseYiputa, neemazi zeenkomo ezilishumi ezithwele ingqolowa, nesonka, nomphako kayise, nakubo bonke ababenaye, njengomphako wendlela.
84 Wathumela kudade wabo uDina iingubo zesilivere negolide, nentlaka yokuqhumisa nemore, ne-alo kunye nezihombiso zabafazi ezininzi kakhulu, waza wathumela ezo zinto zivela kubafazi bakaFaro kubafazi bakwaBhenjamin.
85 Waza wanika bonke abazalwana bakhe, nakubafazi babo, zonke iintlobo zamatye eoniksi nebhedolaki, nazo zonke izinto ezixabisekileyo phakathi kwabantu abakhulu baseYiputa, akukho nanye kuzo zonke izinto ezixabisekileyo eyasalayo ngaphandle koko uYosefu wakuthumela endlwini kayise.
86 Waza wabandulula abazalwana bakhe, baza bahamba, waza wathumela umntakwabo uBhenjamin kunye nabo.
87 UYosefu waphuma nabo ukuze abakhaphe endleleni eya kwimida yaseYiputa, waza wabayalela ngoyise nendlu yakhe, ukuba beze eYiputa.
88 Wathi kubo, Musani ukuxabana endleleni, kuba le nto ivela eNkosini ukugcina abantu abaninzi endlaleni, kuba kuseza kubakho iminyaka emihlanu yendlala elizweni.
89 Waza wabayalela, esithi, Xa nifika kwilizwe laseKanan, musani ukufika ngequbuliso phambi kobawo kule nto, kodwa yenzani ngobulumko benu.
90 Waza uYosefu wayeka ukubayalela, wajika wabuyela eYiputa, baza oonyana bakaYakobi baya kwilizwe laseKanan bevuya kwaye bechwayitile kuyise uYakobi.
91 Bafika kwimida yelizwe, baza bathi omnye komnye, Siza kwenza ntoni kule nto phambi kobawo, kuba ukuba siza kufika kuye ngequbuliso size simxelele le nto, uya koyika kakhulu ngamazwi ethu aze angasikholelwe.
92 Bahamba de bafika ezindlwini zabo, baza bamfumana uSeraki, intombi ka-Ashere, ephuma esiya kubahlangabeza, kwaye intombi yayintle kakhulu kwaye inobulumko, kwaye yayikwazi ukudlala uhadi.
93 Bambiza waza weza phambi kwabo, waza wabanga, baza bamthabatha baza bamnika uhadi, besithi, Hambani phambi kobawo, nihlale phambi kwakhe, nize nibethe uhadi, nithethe la mazwi.
94 Baze bamyalela ukuba aye endlwini yabo, waza wathabatha uhadi wakhawuleza phambi kwabo, waza weza wahlala kufutshane noYakobi.
95 Wadlala kakuhle waza wacula, waza wathetha ngobumnandi bamazwi akhe, uYosefu umalume wam uyaphila, kwaye ulawula kulo lonke ilizwe laseYiputa, kwaye akakafi.
96 Waqhubeka ephinda-phinda aze athethe la mazwi, waza uYakobi weva amazwi akhe aze amkeleke kuye.
97 Wamamela ngelixa wayeziphinda kabini nakathathu, kwaye uvuyo lwangena entliziyweni kaYakobi ngobumnandi bamazwi akhe, kwaye umoya kaThixo wawuphezu kwakhe, kwaye wayesazi ukuba onke amazwi akhe ayinyaniso.
98 UYakobi wamsikelela uSeraki xa wathetha la mazwi phambi kwakhe, waza wathi kuye, Ntombi yam, ukufa makungaze kukunqobe, kuba uwuvusele umoya wam; thetha phambi kwam njengoko uthethileyo, kuba undivuyisile ngamazwi akho onke.
99 Waqhubeka ecula la mazwi, waza uYakobi wamamela kwaye kwamkholisa, waza wavuya, kwaye umoya kaThixo wawuphezu kwakhe.
100 Uthe esathetha naye, khangela, oonyana bakhe beza kuye benamahashe neenqwelo zokulwa nezambatho zasebukhosini nabakhonzi bebaleka phambi kwabo.
101 Waza uYakobi wasukuma waya kubahlangabeza, waza wababona oonyana bakhe benxibe izambatho zobukumkani, wabona nobutyebi bonke uYosefu awayebathumele kubo.

102 Bathi kuye, Yazi ukuba umntakwethu uYosefu usaphila, kwaye nguye olawula kulo lonke ilizwe laseYiputa, kwaye nguye owathetha nathi njengoko sasitshilo kuwe.
103 UYakobi weva onke amazwi oonyana bakhe, kwaye intliziyo yakhe yabetha ngamandla ngamazwi abo, kuba wayengenakubakholelwa de wabona konke uYosefu awayebanike kona noko wayemthume kona, nayo yonke imiqondiso uYosefu awayeyithethile kubo.
104 Bavula phambi kwakhe, bambonisa konke uYosefu awayekuthumele, banika ngamnye oko uYosefu wayemthumele kona, waza wayesazi ukuba bathethe inyaniso, waza wavuya kakhulu ngengxelo yonyana wakhe.
105 Wathi uYakobi, Kwanele kum ukuba unyana wam uYosefu usaphila, ndiza kuya kumbona ngaphambi kokuba ndife.
106 Oonyana bakhe bamxelela konke okubehleleyo, waza uYakobi wathi, Ndiya kuhla ndiye eYiputa ukuya kubona unyana wam nenzala yakhe.
107 UYakobi wasukuma waza wanxiba iingubo awayezithunywe nguYosefu, waza emva kokuba ehlambile, wacheba iinwele zakhe, wabeka entlokweni yakhe isigqubuthelo uYosefu awayemthume sona.
108 Bonke abantu bendlu kaYakobi nabafazi babo banxiba iingubo uYosefu awayebathumelele zona, baza bavuya kakhulu ngoYosefu kuba wayesaphila nokuba wayelawula eYiputa,
109 Kwaye bonke abemi baseKanan beva ngale nto, baza beza bavuya kakhulu noYakobi kuba wayesaphila.
110 UYakobi wabenzela isidlo iintsuku ezintathu, baza bonke ookumkani baseKanan nezikhulu zelizwe badla, basela, bavuya endlwini kaYakobi.

ISAHLUKO 55

1 Kwaye kwenzeka emva koko uYakobi wathi, Ndiya kuya kumbona unyana wam eYiputa, ndize ndibuyele kwilizwe laseKanan uThixo awayethethe ngalo kuAbraham, kuba andinakuphuma kwilizwe endazalelwa kulo.
2 Khangela, ilizwi leNkosi lafika kuye, lisithi, Yihla uye eYiputa, wena nendlu yakho yonke, uhlale apho, ungoyiki ukuya eYiputa kuba ndiya kukwenza uhlanga olukhulu apho.
3 Wathi uYakobi ngaphakathi kwakhe, Ndiya kumbona unyana wam, ukuba usamoyika na uThixo wakhe entliziyweni yakhe phakathi kwabemi bonke baseYiputa.
4 INkosi yathi kuYakobi, Musa ukumoyika uYosefu, kuba usabambelele ekunyanisekeni kwakhe ukuze andikhonze, njengoko kubonakala kulungile emehlweni akho, waza uYakobi wavuya kakhulu ngonyana wakhe.
5 Ngelo xesha uYakobi wabayalela oonyana bakhe nendlu yakhe ukuba baye eYiputa ngokwelizwi likaYehova kuye, waza uYakobi wasukuma noonyana bakhe nendlu yakhe yonke, waphuma eBher-shebha, ezweni lakwaKanan, enovuyo novuyo lwentliziyo, baya ezweni laseYiputa.
6 Kwathi, bakusondela eYiputa, uYakobi wathumela uYuda phambi kwakhe kuYosefu, ukuba ambonise imeko eYiputa; wenza ke uYuda ngokwelizwi likayise; wakhawuleza, wabaleka, waya kuYosefu; bababela indawo ezweni laseGoshen yonke indlu yakhe; wabuya uYuda, weza ngendlela eya kuyise.
7 UYosefu walungisa inqwelo yokulwa, wahlanganisa onke amadoda akhe anamandla nabakhonzi bakhe nabo bonke abaphathi baseYiputa ukuze baye kuhlangabeza uyise uYakobi, kwaye umyalelo kaYosefu wavakaliswa eYiputa, usithi, Bonke abo bangahambiyo ukuya kuhlangabeza uYakobi baya kufa.
8 Ngengomso uYosefu waphuma neYiputa yonke, umkhosi omkhulu nonamandla, bonke benxibe iingubo zelinen ecikizekileyo nezimfusa, nezixhobo zesilivere negolide, nezixhobo zabo zokulwa.
9 Bonke baya kumhlangabeza uYakobi bephethe zonke iintlobo zezixhobo zomculo, bephethe iigubu neengoma, besasaza imore ne-alo endleleni yonke, baza bonke balandela le ndlela, umhlaba wanyikima ngenxa yesikhalo sabo.
10 Bonke abafazi baseYiputa benyuka phezu kophahla lweYiputa nasezindongeni ukuya kuhlangabeza uYakobi, kwaye entlokweni kaYosefu kwakukho isithsaba sobukhosi sikaFaro, kuba uFaro wayesithumele kuye ukuba asinxibe ngexesha lokuya kwakhe kuhlangabeza uyise.
11 Akufika uYosefu kumgama weemitha ezingamashumi amahlanu ukusuka kuyise, wehla enqwelweni waza wahamba waya kuyise, yaye bonke abaphathi baseYiputa nezikhulu zayo babona ukuba uYosefu uhambile ngeenyawo waya kuyise, nabo behla baza bahamba ngeenyawo baya kuYakobi.
12 Akufika uYakobi enkampini kaYosefu, uYakobi wabona inkampu eyayisiza kuye noYosefu, wavuya kakhulu, waza uYakobi wamangaliswa yiloo nto.
13 Wathi uYakobi kuYuda, Ngubani na loo ndoda ndiyibonayo enkampini yaseYiputa, inxibe iingubo zobukumkani, inengubo ebomvu kakhulu, nesithsaba sobukumkani entlokweni yayo, eyehlile enqwelweni yayo, isiza kuthi? UYuda wamphendula uyise, wathi, Ngunyana wakho uYosefu ukumkani; uYakobi wavuya ukubona uzuko lonyana wakhe.
14 Wasondela uYosefu kuyise, waqubuda kuyise; onke amadoda enkampu aqubuda naye emhlabeni phambi koYakobi.
15 Kwaye khangela uYakobi wabaleka waza wakhawuleza waya kunyana wakhe uYosefu waza wawa entanyeni yakhe waza wamanga, baza balila, waza noYosefu wamanga uyise waza wamanga, baza balila kwaye bonke abantu baseYiputa balila nabo.
16 Wathi uYakobi kuYosefu, Ndiya kufa ngoku, ndisakubona ubuso bakho, ukuba usaphila, unozuko.
17 Oonyana bakaYakobi, nabafazi babo, nabantwana babo, nezicaka zabo, nayo yonke indlu kaYakobi, balila kakhulu noYosefu, bamanga, balila kakhulu naye.
18 Emva koko uYosefu nabo bonke abantu bakhe babuyela eYiputa, waza uYakobi noonyana bakhe nabo bonke abantwana bendlu yakhe bafika noYosefu eYiputa, waza uYosefu wababeka kweyona ndawo intle yeYiputa, ezweni laseGoshen.
19 Wathi uYosefu kuyise nakubazalwana bakhe, Ndiya kunyuka ndiye kuxelela uFaro, ndisithi, Abazalwana bam, nendlu kabawo, nabo bonke abangababo, bafikile kum; nabo basezweni laseGoshen.
20 Wenjenjalo uYosefu, wathabatha kubazalwana bakhe uRubhen, uIsakare uZebhulon, noBhenjamin umntakwabo, wababeka phambi koFaro.

21 Wathetha uYosefu kuFaro, esithi, Abazalwana bam, nendlu kabawo, nabo bonke abanabo, nempahla yabo emfutshane, neenkomo zabo, bafikile kum, bevela ezweni lakwaKanan, beze kuphambukela eYiputa; kuba indlala yayinzima phezu kwabo.
22 Wathi uFaro kuYosefu, Beka uyihlo nabazalwana bakho kweyona ndawo intle yelizwe; ungabagodli konke okulungileyo, ubaphe ukudla ukutyeba kwelizwe.
23 Waphendula uYosefu wathi, Yabona, ndibabeke ezweni laseGoshen, kuba ngabalusi bezimvu, ngoko ke mabahlale eGoshen, bondle imihlambi yabo ngaphandle kwamaYiputa.
24 Wathi uFaro kuYosefu, Yenza kubantakwenu konke abakuthethayo kuwe; oonyana bakaYakobi baqubuda kuFaro, baphuma kuye ngoxolo; waza uYosefu wamzisa uyise kuFaro.
25 Wafika uYakobi, waqubuda kuFaro; uYakobi wamsikelela uFaro; waphuma ke uYakobi, noonyana bakhe bonke, nendlu yakhe yonke, bahlala ezweni laseGoshen.
26 Ngomnyaka wesibini, oko kukuthi, ngomnyaka wekhulu elinamashumi amathathu wobomi bukaYakobi, uYosefu wamondla uyise, nabazalwana bakhe, nendlu yonke kayise, ngesonka ngokwabantwana babo, yonke imihla yendlala; abaswelanga nto.
27 UYosefu wabanika eyona ndawo intle yelizwe lonke; yonke imihla kaYosefu babenayo eyona ilungileyo yaseYiputa; uYosefu wabanika nendlu yonke kayise, iingubo neengubo iminyaka ngeminyaka; oonyana bakaYakobi bahlala bekhuselekile eYiputa yonke imihla yomntakwabo.
28 UYakobi wayesidla rhoqo etafileni likaYosefu, uYakobi noonyana bakhe babengaphumi etafileni likaYosefu imini nobusuku, ngaphandle koko abantwana bakaYakobi babekusela ezindlwini zabo.
29 Onke amaYiputa adla isonka ngemihla yendlala yendlu kaYosefu; kuba onke amaYiputa athengisa konke okwawo ngenxa yendlala.
30 UYosefu wathenga yonke imihlaba namasimi aseYiputa ngesonka ngenxa kaFaro, waza uYosefu wondla lonke iYiputa ngesonka yonke imihla yendlala, waza uYosefu waqokelela yonke isilivere negolide eyayisiza kuye ngengqolowa ababeyithenga kulo lonke ilizwe, waza waqokelela igolide nesilivere eninzi, ngaphandle kwamatye e-onyx, i-bedelium neengubo ezixabisekileyo abazizisa kuYosefu bevela kuzo zonke iindawo zelizwe xa imali yabo iphelile.
31 UYosefu wathabatha yonke isilivere negolide awayeyifumene esandleni sakhe, malunga neetalente ezingamashumi asixhenxe anesibini zegolide nesilivere, kunye namatye eonikisi nebhedolayim amaninzi kakhulu, waza uYosefu waya kuzifihla zibe ziinxalenye ezine, waza wafihla inxalenye enye entlango kufutshane noLwandle oluBomvu, nenxalenye enye ecaleni koMlambo iPerate, kwaye inxalenye yesithathu neyesine wayifihla entlango ejongene nentlango yasePersi neMedi.
32 Wathabatha inxalenye yegolide nesilivere eyayisele, wayinika bonke abazalwana bakhe, nayo yonke indlu kayise, nabafazi bonke bendlu kayise; eseleyo wayizisa endlwini kaFaro, malunga namashumi amabini eetalente zegolide nesilivere.
33 UYosefu wanikela yonke igolide nesilivere eyayisele kuFaro, waza uFaro wayibeka endlwini yogcino-mali, yaza yaphela imihla yendlala emva koko ezweni, baza bahlwayela baza bavuna kulo lonke ilizwe, baza bafumana isixa sabo semihla ngemihla; babengaswelanga nto.
34 UYosefu wahlala eYiputa ekhuselekile, lonke ilizwe laliphantsi kwengcebiso yakhe; uyise nabazalwana bakhe bonke bahlala ezweni laseGoshen, balihlutha.
35 UYosefu wayesele emdala kakhulu, selekhulile ngeminyaka, kwaye oonyana bakhe ababini, uEfrayim noManase, bahlala rhoqo endlwini kaYakobi, kunye noonyana boonyana bakaYakobi abazalwana babo, ukuze bafunde iindlela zeNkosi nomthetho wayo.
36 UYakobi noonyana bakhe bahlala ezweni laseYiputa ezweni laseGoshen, balihlutha ilizwe, baqhama, banda kulo.

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1 UYakobi wahlala ezweni laseYiputa iminyaka elishumi elinesixhenxe; imihla kaYakobi, iminyaka yobomi bakhe yaba yiminyaka elikhulu elinamanci mane anesixhenxe.
2 Ngelo xesha uYakobi wahlaselwa sisifo awafa naso, wathumela wabiza unyana wakhe uYosefu, waphuma eYiputa; wafika uYosefu unyana wakhe, wafika kuyise.
3 Wathi uYakobi kuYosefu nakoonyana bakhe, Yabonani, ndiya kufa; uThixo wooyihlo uya kunivelela, anibuyisele ezweni uYehova awalifungela ukuninika lona, nabantwana benu emva kwenu; ngoko ke, ndakufa, ndingcwabeni emqolombeni oseMakapela eHebron, ezweni lakwaKanan, kufutshane noobawo.
4 UYakobi wabafungisa oonyana bakhe ukuba bamngcwabe eMakapela, eHebron; oonyana bakhe bamfungela loo nto.
5 Wabayalela, esithi, Mkhonzeni uYehova uThixo wenu, kuba lowo wahlangula ooyihlo uya kunihlangula nani kuyo yonke inkathazo.
6 Wathi uYakobi, Bizelani kum bonke abantwana benu, baza bonke oonyana bakaYakobi beza bahlala phambi kwakhe, waza uYakobi wabasikelela, wathi kubo, UYehova uThixo wooyihlo makaninike kaliwaka, anisikelele, aninike intsikelelo ka-Abraham uyihlo; bonke oonyana bakaYakobi baphuma ngaloo mini emva kokuba ebasikelele.
7 Ngengomso uYakobi wabiza kwakhona oonyana bakhe, baza bonke bahlanganisana, beza kuye, bahlala phambi kwakhe, waza uYakobi ngaloo mini wabasikelela oonyana bakhe ngaphambi kokuba afe, elowo wasikelela ngokwentsikelelo yakhe; khangela, kubhaliwe encwadini yomthetho weNkosi mayela noSirayeli.
8 Wathi uYakobi kuYuda, Ndiyazi nyana wam ukuba uyindoda enamandla kubazalwana bakho; balawule, oonyana bakho balawule oonyana babo ngonaphakade.
9 Kuphela fundisa oonyana bakho isaphetha nazo zonke izixhobo zemfazwe, ukuze balwe iimfazwe zomntakwabo oza kulawula iintshaba zakhe.
10 Wabuya uYakobi wabawisela umthetho oonyana bakhe ngaloo mini, esithi, Yabonani, namhlanje ndiya kuhlanganiselwa ebantwini bakowethu; ndinyuseni ndiphume eYiputa, nindingcwabe emqolombeni waseMakapela, njengoko ndikuwisele umthetho.

11 Kodwa ke qaphelani, kungabikho namnye koonyana benu ondithwalayo, nina nodwa; nize nenze le nto kum, xa nithwala isidumbu sam, nisiya naso ezweni lakwaKanan, nindingcwabe.
12 UYuda, uIsakare noZebhulon bothwala ithala lam ngasempumalanga; uRubhen, uSimon noGadi ngasezantsi; uEfrayim, uManase noBhenjamin ngasentshonalanga; uDan, uAshere noNafetali ngasenyakatho.
13 Makangathwali uLevi, kuba yena noonyana bakhe baya kuyithwala ityeya yomnqophiso kaYehova kunye namaSirayeli enkampini, kwaye noYosefu unyana wam makangayithwali, kuba njengokumkani makabe njalo uzuko lwakhe; kodwa uEfrayim noManase baya kuba sesikhundleni sabo.
14 Niya kwenza njalo kum xa nindisusa; ningayeki konke endiniyalela kona; kuya kuthi, xa nikwenzile oku kum, uYehova akukhumbule kakuhle nina nabantwana benu emva kwenu ngonaphakade.
15 Nina ke bonyana bam, yibani nobubele kumzalwana wakhe, nakumzalwana wakhe, nize niyale abantwana benu, nakubantwana babantwana benu emva kwenu, ukuba bakhonze uYehova uThixo wookhokho benu imihla yonke.
16 Ukuze nihlale ixesha elide kweli lizwe, nina nabantwana benu, nabantwana boonyana benu, kude kuse ephakadeni, xa nisenza okulungileyo nokuthe tye emehlweni kaYehova uThixo wenu, nihambe ngeendlela zakhe zonke.
17 Ke wena, Yosefu nyana wam, ndicela uxolele ububi babantakwenu nazo zonke izenzo zabo ezimbi ngobubi abakwenzele bona, kuba uThixo wayenenjongo yokuba kulungelwe wena nabantwana bakho.
18 Ke nyana wam, musa ukubashiya abazalwana bakho kubemi baseYiputa, ungabakhubekisi, kuba ndibanikela esandleni sikaThixo nasesandleni sakho ukubakhusela kumaYiputa; oonyana bakaYakobi baphendula uyise besithi, Owu, bawo, konke osiyalele kona, siya kwenza njalo; ngamana uThixo angaba nathi kuphela.
19 Wathi uYakobi koonyana bakhe, Ngamana uThixo angaba nani, xa nizigcina zonke iindlela zakhe, ningaphambuki ezindleleni zakhe, niye ekunene nasekhohlo, nenze okulungileyo nokuthe tye emehlweni akhe.
20 Kuba ndiyazi ukuba kuza kubakho iingxaki ezininzi nezibuhlungu ezinifikelayo ngemihla yokugqibela kweli lizwe, ewe, abantwana benu nabantwana babantwana benu, khonzani iNkosi kuphela kwaye iya kunisindisa kuzo zonke iingxaki.
21 Kwaye kuya kwenzeka ukuba xa ulandela uThixo ukuze umkhonze kwaye ufundise abantwana bakho emva kwakho, nabantwana babantwana bakho, ukwazi iNkosi, iNkosi iya kukuphakamisa wena nabantwana bakho isicaka phakathi kwabantwana bakho, kwaye iNkosi iya kukuhlangula esandleni sayo kuzo zonke iimbandezelo, ikukhuphe eYiputa kwaye ikubuyisele kwilizwe looyihlo ukuze ulidle ilifa ngokukhuselekileyo.
22 Akugqiba uYakobi ukubayala oonyana bakhe, wazifaka iinyawo zakhe esingqengqelweni, wafa, wahlanganiselwa kubantu bakowabo.
23 UYosefu wawa phezu koyise, wakhala kakhulu, walila phezu kwakhe, wamanga, wadanduluka ngezwi elikrakra, wathi, Owu Bawo, Bawo!
24 Abafazi bonyana wakhe nendlu yakhe yonke beza bawela kuYakobi, bamlilela, bakhala ngezwi elikhulu kakhulu ngaye uYakobi.
25 Bonke oonyana bakaYakobi besuka kunye, bazikrazula iingubo zabo, banxiba amarhonya ezinqeni zabo, bawa ngobuso, bazigalela uthuli ezintlokweni zabo ezulwini.
26 Yaxelelwa le nto umfazi kaYosefu uOsnati, wavuka wafaka ingxowa, yena nabo bonke abafazi baseYiputa ababenaye beza, bamlilela uYakobi.
27 Bonke abantu baseYiputa ababemazi uYakobi beza ngaloo mini, bakuva oku, balila imihla emininzi.
28 Bathi beva ukuba uYakobi ufile, bafika eYiputa, bevela ezweni lakwaKanan, bamlilela iintsuku ezingamashumi asixhenxe.
29 Kwathi emva koko uYosefu wayalela abakhonzi bakhe oogqirha ukuba baqhole uyise ngemore nentlaka yokuqhumisa, nazo zonke iintlobo zeziqholo neziqholo, baza oogqirha bamqhola uYakobi njengoko uYosefu wayebayalele.
30 Bonke abantu baseYiputa, amadoda amakhulu, nabo bonke abemi baseGoshen, balila baza bamzilela uYakobi; bonke oonyana bakhe, nabantwana bendlu yakhe, bamzilela uYakobi uyise imihla emininzi.
31 Kwathi emva kokuba imihla yokulila kwakhe idlulile, ekupheleni kweentsuku ezingamashumi asixhenxe, uYosefu wathi kuFaro, Ndiya kunyuka ndiye kumngcwaba ubawo ezweni lakwaKanan njengoko wandifungisa, ndize ndibuye.
32 UFaro wathumela uYosefu, esithi, Nyuka uye kumngcwaba uyihlo njengoko wayetshilo, njengoko wakufungisayo; wasuka uYosefu nabo bonke abazalwana bakhe, baya ezweni lakwaKanan, ukuya kungcwaba uYakobi uyise, njengoko wayebayalele.
33 UFaro wayalela ukuba kuvakaliswe kulo lonke elaseYiputa, kusithiwa, Onganyukiyo aye noYosefu nabazalwana bakhe ezweni lakwaKanan, ukuya kungcwaba uYakobi, uya kufa.
34 Akuva onke amaYiputa esi sibhengezo sikaFaro, asuka onke kunye, nabo bonke abakhonzi bakaFaro, namadoda amakhulu endlu yakhe, nawo onke amadoda amakhulu elizwe laseYiputa, benyuka noYosefu; bonke abathetheli nezikhulu zikaFaro benyuka njengabakhonzi bakaYosefu; baya kumngcwaba uYakobi ezweni lakwaKanan.
35 Oonyana bakaYakobi balithwala ithala awayelele kulo; njengako konke awabawisela umthetho ngako uyise, benjenjalo oonyana bakhe kuye.
36 Ithala leenkuni laliyigolide ecocekileyo, lijikelezwe ngamatye eoniksi nebhedeliyu; nesigqubuthelo sethala sasilukiwe ngegolide, sidityaniswe ngemisonto, kwaye phezu kwazo kwakukho amakhonkco amatye eoniksi nebhedeliyu.
37 UYosefu wabeka entlokweni kayise uYakobi isithsaba esikhulu segolide, waza wabeka intonga yegolide esandleni sakhe, baza bajikeleza ithala njengoko kwakusisiqhelo sookumkani ngexesha lobomi babo.
38 Yonke imikhosi yaseYiputa yamkhokela ngolu luhlu, kuqala onke amadoda anamandla kaFaro, namadoda anamandla kaYosefu, emva kwabo bonke abanye abemi baseYiputa, bonke benxibe amakrele kwaye benxibe iingubo zentsimbi, kwaye babephethe imikhonto yemfazwe.

39 Bonke abalilayo nabalilayo bahamba mgama malunga nethala, behamba belila belila, abanye abantu balandela ithala.
40 UYosefu nendlu yakhe bahamba kunye kufutshane nethala leentaka benganxibanga zihlangu kwaye belila, kwaye abanye abakhonzi bakaYosefu bamjikeleza; indoda nganye yayinxibe izivatho zayo, kwaye bonke babexhobe ngezixhobo zabo zokulwa.
41 Abakhonzi bakaYakobi abangamashumi amahlanu bahamba phambi kwethala, basasaza imore ne-alo, nazo zonke iintlobo zeziqholo endleleni, bonke oonyana bakaYakobi ababethwele ithala bahamba phezu kwethala, kwaye abakhonzi bakaYakobi bahamba phambi kwabo besasaza isiqholo endleleni.
42 UYosefu wenyuka neqela elikhulu, besenza ngolu hlobo imihla ngemihla de bafika kwilizwe laseKanan, bafika esandeni sika-Atadi, esasiphesheya kweYordan, baza balila kakhulu apho.
43 Bonke ookumkani baseKanan beva ngale nto, baphuma bonke, indoda nganye endlwini yayo, ookumkani baseKanan abangamashumi amathathu ananye, bonke beza namadoda abo ukuzolila nokulila ngenxa kaYakobi.
44 Kwaye bonke aba kumkani balibona ithala likaYakobi, kwaye babona isithsaba sikaYosefu siphezu kwalo, kwaye nabo babeka izithsaba zabo phezu kwethala, baza balirhangqa ngezithsaba.
45 Bonke aba kumkani benza isililo esikhulu nesinzima apho kunye noonyana bakaYakobi nabaseJiputa ngenxa kaYakobi, kuba bonke ookumkani baseKanan babesazi ubugorha bukaYakobi noonyana bakhe.
46 Iindaba zafika kuEsawu, zisithi, UYakobi ufele eYiputa; oonyana bakhe, namaYiputa onke, bamsa ezweni lakwaKanan, ukuba bamngcwabe.
47 Uthe uEsawu akukuva oku, wayehlala entabeni yaseSehire, wesuka noonyana bakhe, nabantu bakhe bonke, nendlu yakhe yonke, abantu abaninzi kakhulu, beza kumbambazela nokumlilela uYakobi.
48 Kwathi, xa uEsawu efika, walilela umntakwabo uYakobi, kwaye lonke iYiputa neKanan yonke zavuka kwakhona zaza zalilela uEsawu isililo esikhulu kuYakobi kuloo ndawo.
49 UYosefu nabazalwana bakhe bamthabatha uYakobi uyise apho, baya eHebron ukuya kungcwaba uYakobi emqolombeni kooyise.
50 Bafika eKireyati-arba, emqolombeni, kwaye njengoko babefika uEsawu wema noonyana bakhe bemelene noYosefu nabazalwana bakhe njengomqobo emqolombeni, besithi, UYakobi akayi kungcwatyelwa kuwo, kuba ngowathi nowabawo.
51 UYosefu nabazalwana bakhe beva amazwi oonyana bakaEsawu, baza bacaphuka kakhulu, waza uYosefu wasondela kuEsawu, esithi, Yintoni na le nto bayithethileyo? Ngokuqinisekileyo ubawo uYakobi wayithenga kuwe ngobutyebi obukhulu emva kokufa kukaIsake, ngoku kwiminyaka engamashumi amabini anesihlanu eyadlulayo, kwaye nalo lonke ilizwe laseKanan walithenga kuwe nakoonyana bakho, nakwimbewu yakho emva kwakho.
52 UYakobi wayithengela oonyana bakhe nembewu yakhe emva kwakhe, yaba lilifa ngonaphakade, kutheni uthetha ezi zinto namhlanje?
53 Waphendula uEsawu, wathi, Uthetha ubuxoki, uxoka; kuba andithengisanga nto yam kweli lizwe lonke, njengoko utshoyo; noYakobi umninawa wam akathenganga nto yam kweli lizwe.
54 UEsawu wathetha ezi zinto ukuze amkhohlise uYosefu ngamazwi akhe, kuba uEsawu wayesazi ukuba uYosefu wayengekho ngaloo mihla xa uEsawu wathengisa zonke izinto zakhe kwilizwe lakwaKanan kuYakobi.
55 UYosefu wathi kuEsawu, Inene ubawo ufake ezi zinto kuwe kwincwadi yentengo, waza wangqina ingxelo enamangqina, kwaye khangela ikunye nathi eYiputa.
56 Waphendula uEsawu, wathi kuye, Zisa ingxelo, konke okufumanayo engxeloni, siya kukwenza njalo.
57 UYosefu wabiza uNafetali umntakwabo, wathi, Khawuleza ngokukhawuleza, ungemi, kwaye ndiyakucela ukuba ubalekele eYiputa uze nazo zonke iirekhodi; ingxelo yokuthenga, ingxelo etywiniweyo kunye nengxelo evulekileyo, kunye nazo zonke iirekhodi zokuqala apho zonke iintengiselwano zamalungelo okuzalwa zibhalwe khona, zizise.
58 Uze uzizise apha kuthi, ukuze sazi kubo onke amazwi kaEsawu noonyana bakhe abawathethileyo namhlanje.
59 UNafetali waliphulaphula ilizwi likaYosefu waza wakhawuleza wabaleka ukuya eYiputa, kwaye uNafetali wayekhaphukhaphu ngeenyawo kunawo onke amaxhama awayesentlango, kuba wayehamba ngezikhwebu zengqolowa engazityumzi.
60 Wathi uEsawu akubona ukuba uNafetali uye kulanda iirekhodi, yena noonyana bakhe baqinisa uxhathiso lwabo nxamnye nomqolomba, waza uEsawu nabo bonke abantu bakhe bavukela uYosefu nabazalwana bakhe ukuya kulwa.
61 Bonke oonyana bakaYakobi nabantu baseYiputa balwa noEsawu namadoda akhe, kwaye oonyana bakaEsawu nabantu bakhe boyiswa phambi koonyana bakaYakobi, kwaye oonyana bakaYakobi babulala amadoda angamashumi amane ebantwini bakaEsawu.
62 UKushim unyana kaDan, unyana kaYakobi, ngelo xesha wayekunye noonyana bakaYakobi, kodwa wayekude kangangeekubhite ezilikhulu ukusuka kwindawo yemfazwe, kuba wayehleli nabantwana boonyana bakaYakobi ecaleni kwethala likaYakobi ukuze alilinde.
63 Kwaye uHushim wayesisimumu nesithulu, wayesaqonda ilizwi lokukhwankqiswa phakathi kwabantu.
64 Wabuza, esithi, Kutheni ungabangcwabi abafileyo, kwaye yintoni na le nto imbi kangaka? Bamphendula amazwi kaEsawu noonyana bakhe; wabaleka waya kuEsawu phakathi kwemfazwe, wambulala uEsawu ngekrele, wamnqumla intloko, yaza yaqhuma yaya mgama, uEsawu wawa phakathi kwabantu bemfazwe.
65 Akuba uHushim ekwenzile oku, oonyana bakaYakobi babanqoba oonyana bakaEsawu, baza oonyana bakaYakobi bamngcwaba uYakobi uyise ngenkani emqolombeni, baza oonyana bakaEsawu bakubona oko.
66 UYakobi wangcwatyelwa eHebron, emqolombeni waseMakapela, owawuthengwe nguAbraham koonyana bakaHeti, ukuze ube yindawo yokungcwaba, waza wangcwatyelwa enxibe iingubo ezibiza kakhulu.
67 Kwaye akukho kumkani wayenikwe imbeko enjalo njengoko uYosefu wayinika uyise ekufeni kwakhe, kuba wamngcwaba ngembeko enkulu efana nokungcwatywa kookumkani.

68 UYosefu nabazalwana bakhe bamzilela uyise iintsuku ezisixhenxe.

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1 Kwathi emva koko oonyana bakaEsawu balwa noonyana bakaYakobi; oonyana bakaEsawu balwa noonyana bakaYakobi eHebron; uEsawu wayesele efile, engangcwatywanga.
2 Idabi lalinzima phakathi kwabo, baza oonyana bakaEsawu boyiswa phambi koonyana bakaYakobi, oonyana bakaYakobi babulala amadoda angamashumi asibhozo koonyana bakaEsawu, akwafa namnye koonyana bakaYakobi; isandla sikaYosefu saba namandla phezu kwabo bonke oonyana bakaEsawu, wathabatha uZefo, unyana kaElifazi, unyana kaEsawu, namadoda akhe angamashumi amahlanu, wababopha ngamatyathanga esinyithi, wabanikela esandleni sabakhonzi bakhe ukuba babazise eYiputa.
3 Kwaye kwenzeka ukuba oonyana bakaYakobi bakuba bemthathile uZefo nabantu bakhe, bonke abo baseleyo boyika kakhulu ubomi babo endlwini kaEsawu, hleze nabo babanjwe, baza bonke babaleka noElifazi unyana kaEsawu nabantu bakhe, kunye nesidumbu sikaEsawu, baza bahamba ngendlela yabo besiya eNtabeni iSehire.
4 Bafika eNtabeni iSehire, bamngcwaba uEsawu eSehire, kodwa abazange bazise intloko yakhe eSehire, kuba wangcwatyelwa apho kwakulwelwa khona eHebron.
5 Kwathi xa oonyana bakaEsawu basaba phambi koonyana bakaYakobi, oonyana bakaYakobi babasukela baya kufika kwimida yaseSehire, kodwa abazange babulale mntu phakathi kwabo xa babebasukela, kuba isidumbu sikaEsawu ababesithwele sababangela ingxolo, baza basaba oonyana bakaYakobi babuya umva, benyuka baya kwindawo apho abazalwana babo babeseHebron, bahlala apho ngaloo mini, nangosuku olulandelayo, de baphumla edabini.
6 Kwathi ngomhla wesithathu bahlanganisa bonke oonyana bakaSehire umHori, bahlanganisa bonke oonyana basempuma, inkitha yabantu abanjengentlabathi yolwandle, baza behla baya eYiputa ukuya kulwa noYosefu nabazalwana bakhe, ukuze bahlangule abazalwana babo.
7 UYosefu nabo bonke oonyana bakaYakobi beva ukuba oonyana bakaEsawu nabantu basempumalanga babafikele emfazweni, ukuze babahlangule abazalwana babo.
8 UYosefu nabazalwana bakhe namadoda anamandla aseYiputa baphuma baya kulwa kwisixeko saseRameses, baza uYosefu nabazalwana bakhe bababulala kakhulu oonyana bakaEsawu nabemi basempuma.
9 Babulala amadoda angamakhulu amathandathu amawaka kubo, babulala phakathi kwabo onke amadoda anamandla oonyana bakaSehire umHori; kwasala abambalwa kuphela kubo, babulala nenani elikhulu labantwana baseMpuma, nelabantwana bakaEsawu; uElifazi unyana kaEsawu, namadoda aseMpuma, bonke basaba phambi koYosefu nabazalwana bakhe.
10 UYosefu nabazalwana bakhe babasukela bada bafika eSukoti, kodwa babulala amadoda angamashumi amathathu kubo eSukoti, baza abanye basinda, babaleka ngamnye waya kwisixeko sakowabo.
11 UYosefu nabazalwana bakhe namadoda anamandla aseYiputa babuya kubo benovuyo novuyo lwentliziyo, kuba babezoyisile zonke iintshaba zabo.
12 UZefo unyana kaElifazi namadoda akhe babesengamakhoboka eYiputa koonyana bakaYakobi, kwaye iintlungu zabo zanda.
13 Xa oonyana bakaEsawu noonyana bakaSehire babuyela kwilizwe labo, oonyana bakaSehire babona ukuba bonke bawele ezandleni zoonyana bakaYakobi, nabantu baseYiputa, ngenxa yemfazwe yoonyana bakaEsawu.
14 Bathi oonyana bakaSehire koonyana bakaEsawu, Nibonile, nazi ke ngoko ukuba eli qela livela kuni, akusekho nanye indoda enamandla, okanye ingcibi emfazweni.
15 Ke ngoko phumani kweli lizwe lethu, nisuke kuthi niye ezweni laseKanan, niye ezweni elalihlala ooyihlo; kutheni abantwana benu beya kulidla ilifa labantwana bethu ngemihla yokugqibela?
16 Oonyana bakaEsawu ababaphulaphulanga oonyana bakaSehire; oonyana bakaSehire bacinga ukulwa nabo.
17 Oonyana bakaEsawu bathumela ngasese ku-Angeas ukumkani wase-Afrika, onguDinhaba, besithi,
18 Sithumelele amanye amadoda akho aze eze kuthi, size silwe kunye nabantwana bakaSehire umHori, kuba bazimisele ukulwa nathi ukuze basigxothe kweli lizwe.
19 UAngeya ukumkani waseDinhabha wenjenjalo, kuba ngaloo mihla wayenobuhlobo noonyana bakaEsawu, waza uAngeya wathumela amadoda angamakhulu amahlanu anobukroti ukuya koonyana bakaEsawu, kunye namakhulu asibhozo amahashe.
20 Oonyana bakaSehire bathumela kwabasempuma nakubantwana bakwaMidiyan, besithi, Nikubonile oko bakwenzileyo oonyana bakaEsawu kuthi, esiphantse satshatyalaliswa ngenxa yabo emfazweni yabo noonyana bakaYakobi.
21 Ngoko ke yizani kuthi nize nisincede, size silwe nabo kunye, size sibagxothe kweli lizwe size siphindezelelwe ngenxa yabazalwana bethu abafa ngenxa yabo kwimfazwe yabo nabazalwana babo oonyana bakaYakobi.
22 Bonke oonyana baseMpuma baphulaphula oonyana baseSeyire, baza beza kubo malunga namakhulu asibhozo amadoda ephethe iikrele, oonyana bakaEsawu balwa noonyana baseSeyire ngelo xesha entlango yaseParan.
23 Oonyana bakaSehire baboyisa oonyana bakaEsawu, baza oonyana bakaSehire babulala ngaloo mini oonyana bakaEsawu kuloo mfazwe malunga namakhulu amabini amadoda kubantu baka-Angeas ukumkani waseDinhabha.
24 Ngomhla wesibini oonyana bakaEsawu babuya ukuza kulwa okwesibini noonyana bakaSehire, kwaye imfazwe yayinzima kubantwana bakaEsawu okwesibini, kwaye yabakhathaza kakhulu ngenxa yabantwana bakaSehire.
25 Bakubona oonyana bakaEsawu ukuba oonyana bakaSehire banamandla kunabo, amadoda athile oonyana bakaEsawu ajika aza abanceda oonyana bakaSehire iintshaba zabo.
26 Kwaphinda kwawa amadoda angamashumi amahlanu anesibhozo ebantwini boonyana bakaEsawu edabini lesibini e-Angeas ukumkani waseDinhabha.
27 Ngomhla wesithathu oonyana bakaEsawu beva ukuba abanye babazalwana babo baphendukile kubo ukuze balwe

nabo kwidabi lesibini; baza oonyana bakaEsawu balila xa besiva le nto.
28 Bathi, Siza kwenza ntoni na kubazalwana bethu abasishiyileyo ukuze bancede oonyana bakaSehire iintshaba zethu? Oonyana bakaEsawu bathumela kwakhona kuAngeya ukumkani waseDinhabha, besithi,
29 Sithumelele kwakhona amanye amadoda ukuze silwe nawo nabantwana bakwaSehire, kuba sele benzima kabini kunathi.
30 Wabuya uAngeas wathumela koonyana bakaEsawu amadoda amalunga namakhulu amathandathu anobukroti, eza kunceda oonyana bakaEsawu.
31 Emva kweentsuku ezilishumi oonyana bakaEsawu balwa kwakhona nabantwana bakaSehire entlango yaseParan, kwaye imfazwe yaba nzima kakhulu kubantwana bakaSehire, kwaye oonyana bakaEsawu boyisa ngeli xesha phezu kwabantwana bakaSehire, kwaye oonyana bakaSehire boyiswa phambi kwabantwana bakaEsawu, kwaye oonyana bakaEsawu babulala kubo malunga namawaka amabini amadoda.
32 Kwaye onke amadoda anamandla oonyana bakaSehire afa kule mfazwe, kwaza kwasala abantwana babo abancinci kuphela abaseleyo kwizixeko zabo.
33 Kwaye onke amaMidiyan kunye nabantu baseMpuma babaleka edabini, baza babashiya oonyana bakaSehire baza basaba xa bebona ukuba idabi linzima kubo, kwaye oonyana bakaEsawu babasukela bonke oonyana baseMpuma bada bafika kwilizwe labo.
34 Oonyana bakaEsawu babulala amadoda amalunga namakhulu amabini anamashumi amahlanu kubo, kwaza kwawa amadoda amalunga namashumi amathathu kuloo mfazwe, kodwa obu bubi babafikela ngokuba abazalwana babo babashiya ukuze bancede oonyana bakaSehire umHori, baza oonyana bakaEsawu beva kwakhona ngezenzo ezimbi zabazalwana babo, baza baphinda bazila ngenxa yale nto.
35 Kwathi emva kwemfazwe, oonyana bakaEsawu babuya baza bafika eSehire, oonyana bakaEsawu bababulala abo babesele kwilizwe labantwana bakaSehire; bababulala nabafazi babo nabantwana babo, abashiyanga mphefumlo uphilileyo ngaphandle kwamakhwenkwe angamashumi amahlanu neentombi abawavumela ukuba aphile, kwaye oonyana bakaEsawu abazange bababulale, kwaye abafana baba ngamakhoboka abo, kwaye iintombi bazithatha zaba ngabafazi babo.
36 Oonyana bakaEsawu bahlala eSehire endaweni yoonyana bakaSehire, balidla ilifa ilizwe labo, balihlutha.
37 Oonyana bakaEsawu bathabatha yonke impahla yelizwe, banika oonyana bakaSehire, nemihlambi yabo, neenkomo zabo, nempahla yabo, nayo yonke impahla yoonyana bakaSehire, oonyana bakaEsawu bathabatha; oonyana bakaEsawu bahlala eSehire endaweni yoonyana bakaSehire unanamhla, baza oonyana bakaEsawu bahlulahlula ilizwe laba ngabantwana abahlanu bakaEsawu, ngokweentsapho zabo.
38 Kwathi ngaloo mihla, oonyana bakaEsawu bagqiba ekubeni babe ngukumkani phezu kwabo kwilizwe ababelihluthiwe. Bathi omnye komnye, Hayi, kuba uya kusilawula elizweni lethu, kwaye siya kuba phantsi kwecebo lakhe kwaye uya kulwa iimfazwe zethu, nxamnye neentshaba zethu, kwaye benza njalo.
39 Bonke oonyana bakaEsawu bafunga, besithi, Ukuba kungabikho namnye kubazalwana babo oya kubalawula, ngaphandle komntu wasemzini ongengowabazalwana babo, kuba imiphefumlo yabo bonke oonyana bakaEsawu yayinomsindo, ngamnye nxamnye nonyana wakhe, umzalwana wakhe nomhlobo wakhe, ngenxa yobubi ababebufumana kubazalwana babo xa babelwa nabantwana bakaSehire.
40 Ngoko ke oonyana bakaEsawu bafunga, besithi, Ukususela ngaloo mini baya kukhetha ukumkani kubazalwana babo, kodwa omnye ovela kwilizwe lasemzini unanamhla.
41 Kwakukho indoda apho evela kubantu base-Angeas ukumkani waseDinhaba; igama layo yayinguBhela unyana kaBhehore, owayeyindoda enamandla kakhulu, entle nentle, elumkileyo kuyo yonke ingqondo, nendoda enengqondo necebisayo; kwaye kwakungekho namnye kubantu base-Angeas onjengaye.
42 Bonke oonyana bakaEsawu bamthabatha bamthambisa baza bamthwesa umqhele wokuba ngukumkani, baza baqubuda kuye, baza bathi kuye, Makaphile ukumkani, makaphile ukumkani.
43 Bayitwabulula ingubo, bamzisela elowo amacici egolide nawesilivere, okanye amakhonkco, okanye izacholo, bamenza waba sisityebi kakhulu ngesilivere nangegolide, ngamatye e-oniki, nangebhedolaki, bamenzela itrone yobukumkani, bambeka isithsaba sobukumkani entlokweni yakhe, bamakhela nendlu, wahlala kuyo, waba ngukumkani phezu kwabo bonke oonyana bakaEsawu.
44 Ama-Angeas athabatha umvuzo wawo koonyana bakaEsawu, aya eDinhabha ngelo xesha.
45 UBhela waba ngukumkani phezu koonyana bakaEsawu iminyaka engamashumi amathathu; bahlala oonyana bakaEsawu kwelo zwe esikhundleni soonyana bakaSehire, bahlala ngokukhuselekileyo esikhundleni sabo unanamhla.

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1 Kwathi ngomnyaka wamashumi amathathu anesibini wokwehla kwamaSirayeli eYiputa, oko kukuthi, ngomnyaka wamashumi asixhenxe ananye wobomi bukaYosefu, ngaloo nyaka wafa uFaro ukumkani waseYiputa, waza uMagron unyana wakhe walawula esikhundleni sakhe.
2 UFaro wayalela uYosefu ngaphambi kokufa kwakhe ukuba abe nguyise kunyana wakhe, uMagron, nokuba uMagron abe phantsi kokhathalelo lukaYosefu naphantsi kwengcebiso yakhe.
3 Kwaye lonke iYiputa lavuma ukuba uYosefu abe ngukumkani phezu kwalo, kuba onke amaYiputa ayemthanda uYosefu njengangaphambili, nguMagron kuphela unyana kaFaro owayehleli etroneni kayise, waza waba ngukumkani ngaloo mihla esikhundleni sikayise.
4 UMagron wayeneminyaka engamashumi amane ananye ubudala ekuqaliseni kwakhe ukulawula, waza walawula iminyaka engamashumi amane eYiputa, kwaye lonke iYiputa lamthiya igama elithi Faro ngegama likayise, njengoko kwakusenziwa eYiputa kubo bonke ookumkani ababelawula phezu kwabo.
5 Kwaye kwenzeka ukuba xa uFaro wayelawula esikhundleni sikayise, wabeka imithetho yaseYiputa nayo

yonke imicimbi yolawulo esandleni sikaYosefu, njengoko uyise wayemyalele.
6 UYosefu waba ngukumkani phezu kweYiputa, kuba wayelawula lonke iYiputa, kwaye lonke iYiputa laliphantsi kolawulo lwakhe naphantsi kwengcebiso yakhe, kuba lonke iYiputa lathambekela kuYosefu emva kokufa kukaFaro, baza bamthanda kakhulu ukuba abe ngukumkani phezu kwabo.
7 Kodwa kwakukho abantu abathile phakathi kwabo, ababengamthandi, besithi, Akukho mntu wasemzini uya kusilawula; nangona kunjalo lonke urhulumente waseYiputa wanikezela kuYosefu ngaloo mihla, emva kokufa kukaFaro, yena engumlawuli, esenza njengoko wayethanda kulo lonke ilizwe ngaphandle kokuba nabani na angenelele.
8 Kwaye lonke iYiputa laliphantsi kolawulo lukaYosefu, waza uYosefu walwa nazo zonke iintshaba zakhe ezazimngqongile, waza wazoyisa; nalo lonke ilizwe nawo onke amaFilisti, ukuya kwimida yaseKanan, uYosefu woyisa, kwaye bonke babephantsi kwamandla akhe kwaye banikela irhafu yonyaka kuYosefu.
9 UFaro ukumkani waseYiputa wahlala etroneni yakhe esikhundleni sikayise, kodwa wayephantsi kolawulo nengcebiso kaYosefu, njengoko wayephantsi kolawulo lukayise ekuqaleni.
10 Akazange alawule ngaphandle kwelizwe laseYiputa kuphela, phantsi kwengcebiso kaYosefu, kodwa uYosefu walawula lonke ilizwe ngelo xesha, ukusuka eYiputa ukuya kumlambo omkhulu iPerath.
11 UYosefu waphumelela kuzo zonke iindlela zakhe, yaye uYehova wayenaye, waza uYehova wamnika uYosefu ubulumko obongezelelekileyo, imbeko, nozuko, nothando kuye ezintliziyweni zamaYiputa nakwilizwe lonke, waza uYosefu walawula lonke ilizwe iminyaka engamashumi amane.
12 Onke amazwe amaFilisti, nelakwaKanan, nelaseTsidon, naphesheya kweYordan, azisa izipho kuYosefu yonke imihla yakhe; lonke ilizwe lalisezandleni zikaYosefu, bazisa kuye irhafu yeminyaka ngeminyaka, njengoko kwakunjalo; kuba uYosefu wayelwe nazo zonke iintshaba zakhe ezimngqongileyo, wazoyisa; lonke ilizwe lalisezandleni zikaYosefu; uYosefu wahlala etroneni yakhe eYiputa.
13 Kananjalo bonke abazalwana bakhe, oonyana bakaYakobi, bahlala ngokukhuselekileyo kwelo lizwe, yonke imihla kaYosefu, baza bachuma baza banda kakhulu kwelo lizwe, baza bakhonza iNkosi yonke imihla yabo, njengoko uyise uYakobi wayebayalele.
14 Kwathi ekupheleni kwemihla emininzi neminyaka emininzi, xa oonyana bakaEsawu babehlala ngoxolo ezweni labo noBhela ukumkani wabo, oonyana bakaEsawu banda baza banda kwelo lizwe, baza bagqiba kwelokuba baye kulwa noonyana bakaYakobi nalo lonke iYiputa, baze bahlangule umntakwabo uZefo, unyana kaElifazi, namadoda akhe, kuba babesengamakhoboka kaYosefu ngaloo mihla.
15 Oonyana bakaEsawu bathumela kubo bonke oonyana basempumalanga, baza benza uxolo nabo; bonke oonyana basempumalanga beza kubo, ukuze bahambe noonyana bakaEsawu baye eYiputa emfazweni.
16 Kwafika kubo nabantu base-Angeas, ukumkani waseDinhabha, bathumela nakoonyana bakaIshmayeli, nabo beza kubo.
17 Bonke aba bantu bahlanganisana baza beza eSehire ukuze bancede oonyana bakaEsawu edabini labo, kwaye le nkampu yayinkulu kakhulu kwaye inabantu abaninzi, abaninzi njengentlabathi yolwandle, malunga namakhulu asibhozo amawaka amadoda, ahamba ngeenyawo nabakhweli bamahashe, kwaye bonke aba mkhosi behla baya eYiputa ukuya kulwa noonyana bakaYakobi, baza bamisa iintente ngaseRameses.
18 UYosefu waphuma nabazalwana bakhe kunye namadoda anamandla aseYiputa, malunga namakhulu amathandathu amadoda, baza balwa nabo elizweni laseRameses; kwaye oonyana bakaYakobi ngelo xesha balwa kwakhona nabantwana bakaEsawu, ngonyaka wamashumi amahlanu oonyana bakaYakobi behla baya eYiputa, lowo ngumnyaka wamashumi amathathu wolawulo lukaBhela phezu kwabantwana bakaEsawu eSehire.
19 Kwaye iNkosi yanikela onke amadoda anamandla kaEsawu kunye nabantwana basempuma esandleni sikaYosefu nabazalwana bakhe, kwaye abantu boonyana bakaEsawu kunye nabantwana basempuma boyiswa phambi kukaYosefu.
20 Kwawa phambi koonyana bakaEsawu nabasempumalanga ababuleweyo, amadoda angathi ngamakhulu amabini amawaka phambi koonyana bakaYakobi; noBhela, ukumkani wabo, wawa nabo emfazweni; bakubona oonyana bakaEsawu ukuba ukumkani wabo uwile emfazweni, wafa, izandla zabo zawa emfazweni.
21 UYosefu nabazalwana bakhe nayo yonke iYiputa babesabulala abantu bendlu kaEsawu, kwaye bonke abantu bakaEsawu babesoyika oonyana bakaYakobi baza basaba phambi kwabo.
22 UYosefu nabazalwana bakhe nalo lonke iYiputa babasukela uhambo lwemini, babulala amadoda amalunga namakhulu amathathu kubo, beqhubeka nokubabulala endleleni; baza babuya umva.
23 UYosefu nabo bonke abazalwana bakhe babuyela eYiputa, akwasala namnye kubo; kwawa amadoda alishumi elinambini kumaYiputa.
24 Wathi uYosefu akubuyela eYiputa wayalela ukuba uZefo namadoda akhe baboshwe kwakhona, baza bababopha ngeentsimbi, baza bandisa intlungu yabo.
25 Bonke oonyana bakaEsawu, nabasempumalanga, babuyela elowo emzini wakhe bedanile, ngokuba onke amadoda anamandla awayenabo ayewile edabini.
26 Bakubona oonyana bakaEsawu ukuba ukumkani wabo ufile emfazweni, bakhawuleza bathabatha indoda evela kubantu basempumalanga, egama linguYobhabhi unyana kaZaraki, waseBhotsera, baza bamenza ukumkani wabo esikhundleni sikaBhela ukumkani wabo.
27 UYobhabhi wahlala etroneni kaBhela njengokumkani esikhundleni sakhe, uYobhabhi walawula kwaEdom bonke oonyana bakaEsawu iminyaka elishumi, oonyana bakaEsawu ababa saya kulwa noonyana bakaYakobi ukususela ngaloo mini, kuba oonyana bakaEsawu babesazi ubugorha boonyana bakaYakobi, baza boyika kakhulu.

28 Kodwa ukususela ngaloo mini abantwana bakaEsawu babathiya oonyana bakaYakobi, kwaye intiyo nobutshaba babunamandla kakhulu phakathi kwabo yonke imihla, kude kube namhlanje.
29 Kwathi emva koko, ekupheleni kweminyaka elishumi, uYobhabhi, unyana kaZeraki, waseBhotsera, wafa, oonyana bakaEsawu bathabatha indoda egama linguKusham, ezweni lakwaTeman, bamenza ukumkani phezu kwabo esikhundleni sikaYobhabhi; uKusham walawula kwaEdom bonke oonyana bakaEsawu iminyaka engamashumi amabini.
30 UYosefu, ukumkani waseYiputa, nabazalwana bakhe, nabo bonke abantwana bakaSirayeli bahlala ngokukhuselekileyo eYiputa ngaloo mihla, kunye nabo bonke abantwana bakaYosefu nabazalwana bakhe, bengenasiphazamiso okanye ingozi embi kwaye ilizwe laseYiputa ngelo xesha laliphumle emfazweni ngemihla kaYosefu nabazalwana bakhe.

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1 Ngawo la amagama oonyana bakaSirayeli ababehlala eYiputa, ababeze noYakobi; bonke oonyana bakaYakobi beza eYiputa, elowo nendlu yakhe.
2 Oonyana bakaLeya nguRubhen, noSimeyon, noLevi, noYuda, noIsakare, noZebhulon, kunye noDina udade wabo.
3 Oonyana bakaRakeli yayinguYosefu noBhenjamin.
4 Oonyana bakaZilipa, umkhonzazana kaLeya, yayinguGadi noAshere.
5 Oonyana bakaBhiliha, umkhonzazana kaRakeli, nguDan noNafetali.
6 Ngabo aba oonyana babo abazalelwa ezweni lakwaKanan, ngaphambi kokuba bafike eYiputa noYakobi uyise.
7 Oonyana bakaRubhen nguHanoki, noPalu, noHetseron, noKarmi.
8 Oonyana bakaSimeyon nguYemuweli, noYamin, no-Ohadi, noYakin, noZokare, noSawule, unyana womKananekazi.
9 Oonyana bakaLevi nguGershon, noKehati, noMerari, noYokebhede, udade wabo, awabazalelwayo ekuhleni kwabo eYiputa.
10 Oonyana bakaYuda nguEre, no-Onan, noShela, noPeretse, noZeraki.
11 UEre no-Onan bafela ezweni lakwaKanan; oonyana bakaPeretse nguHetseron noHamuli.
12 Oonyana bakaIsakare nguTola, noPuwa, noYobhi, noShomron.
13 Oonyana bakaZebhulon nguSerede, noElon, noYaleli; oonyana bakaDan nguKushim.
14 Oonyana bakaNafetali yayinguYatseli, noGuni, noYetsere, noShilam.
15 Oonyana bakaGadi nguTsifiyon, noHagi, noShuni, noEtsebhon, noEri, noArodi, noAreli.
16 Oonyana baka-Ashere yayinguImna, noIshva, noIshvi, noBheriya, noSera udade wabo; oonyana bakaBheriya yayinguKebhere noMalekiyeli.
17 Oonyana bakaBhenjamin nguBhela, noBhekere, noAshbhele, noGera, noNahaman, noAhi, noRoshe, noMupim, noChupim, noOrd.
18 Oonyana bakaYosefu awabazalelwa eYiputa nguManase noEfrayim.
19 Bonke abantu abaphuma esinqeni sikaYakobi babengamashumi asixhenxe; ngabo abo beza noYakobi uyise eYiputa, beza kuhlala khona; uYosefu nabo bonke abazalwana bakhe bahlala bekhuselekile eYiputa, badla izinto ezilungileyo zaseYiputa yonke imihla yobomi bukaYosefu.
20 UYosefu wahlala ezweni laseYiputa iminyaka engamashumi asithoba anamithathu; uYosefu walawula phezu kweYiputa yonke iminyaka engamashumi asibhozo.
21 Yasondela imihla kaYosefu yokuba afe, wathumela, wabiza abazalwana bakhe, nendlu kayise yonke; beza bonke, bahlala phambi kwakhe.
22 Wathi uYosefu kubazalwana bakhe nakwindlu kayise yonke, Yabonani, ndiza kufa; uThixo uya kunivelela okunene, aninyuse niphume kweli lizwe, niye ezweni awafungayo kooyihlo ukuba wobanika lona.
23 Kuya kuthi xa uThixo enityelele ukuze aninyuse nisuke apha niye kwilizwe looyihlo, aze anyuse amathambo am nisuke apha.
24 UYosefu wabafungisa oonyana bakaSirayeli ngembewu yabo emva kwabo, esithi, UThixo uya kunivelela okunene, nize niwanyuse amathambo am nimke apha.
25 Kwathi emva koko wafa uYosefu ngaloo nyaka, ngomnyaka wamashumi asixhenxe ananye wokwehla kwamaSirayeli eYiputa.
26 UYosefu wayeneminyaka elikhulu elineshumi ubudala ekufeni kwakhe ezweni laseYiputa, baza bonke abazalwana bakhe, nazo zonke izicaka zakhe, bamqhola uYosefu ngokwesiko labo; baza abazalwana bakhe, nayo yonke iYiputa, bamlilela imihla engamashumi asixhenxe.
27 Bamfaka uYosefu ebhokisini elizele ziziqholo nazo zonke iintlobo zeziqholo, bamngcwaba ecaleni komlambo iSihore, oko kukuthi, oonyana bakhe, nabazalwana bakhe bonke, nendlu kayise yonke, bamenzela isijwili iintsuku ezisixhenxe.
28 Kwaye kwenzeka emva kokufa kukaYosefu, onke amaYiputa aqala ngaloo mihla ukulawula abantwana bakaSirayeli, kwaye uFaro, ukumkani waseYiputa, owayelawula esikhundleni sikayise, wathabatha yonke imithetho yaseYiputa waza wakhokela lonke ulawulo lwaseYiputa phantsi kwengcebiso yakhe, waza walawula ngokukhuselekileyo phezu kwabantu bakhe.

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1 Kwathi ke, kwathi, ngomnyaka wamashumi asixhenxe anesibini ukususela ekuhleni kwamaSirayeli eYiputa, emva kokufa kukaYosefu, uZefo, unyana kaElifazi, unyana kaEsawu, wabaleka eYiputa, yena namadoda akhe; bemka.
2 Waza weza eAfrika, oko kukuthi iDinhabah, kuAngeas ukumkani waseAfrika, waza uAngeas wabamkela ngembeko enkulu, waza wamenza uZefo umphathi womkhosi wakhe.
3 UZepho wafumana ubabalo emehlweni ka-Angeas naphambi kwabantu bakhe, waza uZepho waba ngumphathi womkhosi ka-Angeas ukumkani wase-Afrika kangangeentsuku ezininzi.
4 UZefo wahenda uAngeas ukumkani waseAfrika ukuba aqokelele wonke umkhosi wakhe ukuze aye kulwa

namaYiputa, noonyana bakaYakobi, aze aphindezele kubo ngenxa yabazalwana bakhe.
5 Kodwa uAngeas akavumanga ukumphulaphula uZepho ukuba enze le nto, kuba uAngeas wayewazi amandla oonyana bakaYakobi, noko bakwenzileyo kumkhosi wakhe kwimfazwe yabo nabantwana bakaEsawu.
6 Ngaloo mihla uZefo wayemkhulu kakhulu emehlweni ka-Angeas naphambi kwabo bonke abantu bakhe, waza wabakhuthaza rhoqo ukuba balwe neYiputa, kodwa abazange bavume.
7 Kwaye kwenzeka ngaloo mihla ukuba kubekho indoda kwilizwe laseKitim kwisixeko sasePuzimna, egama linguUzu, kwaye yanqulwa ngabantwana baseKitim, yaza loo ndoda yafa ingenanyana, intombi enye kuphela egama linguJania.
8 Intombi leyo yayintle kakhulu, intle kwaye inengqondo, akukho mntu ufana nayo ngobuhle nangobulumko kulo lonke ilizwe.
9 Abantu base-Angeas ukumkani wase-Afrika bambona baza beza bamdumisa kuye, waza u-Angeas wathumela kubantwana baseKitim, waza wacela ukuba amthabathe abe ngumfazi wakhe, baza abantu baseKitim bavuma ukumnika ukuba abe ngumfazi wakhe.
10 Kwaye xa izithunywa zase-Angeas zaziphuma kwilizwe laseKitim ukuya kuthatha uhambo lwazo, khangela izithunywa zikaTurnus ukumkani waseBibentu zafika eKitim, kuba uTurnus ukumkani waseBibentu naye wathumela izithunywa zakhe ukuba zimcelele uJania, ukuba azithathele umfazi, kuba onke amadoda akhe ayemncoma kuye, ke ngoko wathumela zonke izinceku zakhe kuye.
11 Ke kaloku abakhonzi bakaTurnus bafika eKitim, baza bacela ukuba uJania asiwe kuTurnus ukumkani wabo ukuze abe ngumfazi.
12 Abantu baseKitim bathi kubo, Asinakumnika, kuba ukumkani waseAfrika uAngeas wayefuna ukuba amthabathe abe ngumfazi wakhe ngaphambi kokuba ufike, kwaye masimnike yena, kwaye ngoku ke asinakukwenza oku ukuhlutha uAngeas intombi ukuze simnike uTurnus.
13 Kuba soyika kakhulu uAngeas hleze asihlasele aze asitshabalalise, aze uTurnus inkosi yakho angabi nako ukusihlangula esandleni sakhe.
14 Bathi abathunywa baseTurnus bakuva onke amazwi oonyana bakaKitim, babuyela enkosini yabo, bayixelela onke amazwi oonyana bakaKitim.
15 Abantwana baseKitim bathumela isikhumbuzo ku-Angeas, besithi, Khangela, uTurnus uthumele uJania ukuba amthabathe abe ngumfazi wakhe, saza samphendula ngolu hlobo; saza sava ukuba uqokelele umkhosi wakhe wonke ukuba aye kulwa nawe, kwaye uceba ukudlula ngendlela yaseSardunia ukuze alwe nomfowenu uLucus, aze emva koko eze kulwa nawe.
16 Waza uAngeas weva amazwi abantwana baseKitim abawathumela kuye kwingxelo, waza umsindo wakhe wavutha waza wavuka wahlanganisa umkhosi wakhe wonke waza wadlula kwiziqithi zolwandle, indlela eya eSardunia, waya kumntakwabo uLucus ukumkani waseSardunia.
17 UNiblos, unyana kaLucus, weva ukuba umalume wakhe uAngeas uyeza, waphuma waya kumhlangabeza enomkhosi omkhulu, wamanga waza wamanga, waza uNiblos wathi kuAngeas, Xa ubuza utata ngempilo yakhe, ukuba ndiza kuhamba nawe nini ukuya kulwa noTurnus, mcele ukuba andenze intloko yomkhosi wakhe, waza uAngeas wenza njalo, waza weza kumntakwabo waza umntakwabo weza kumhlangabeza, wambuza ngempilo yakhe.
18 UAngeas wabuza umntakwabo uLucus ngempilo yakhe, nokuba amise unyana wakhe uNiblos ukuba abe ngumphathi womkhosi wakhe, waza uLucus wenza njalo, waza uAngeas nomntakwabo uLucus basukuma baya eTurnus ukuya kulwa, kwaye kwakukhona umkhosi omkhulu kunye nabantu abaninzi.
19 Wafika ngeenqanawa, bafika kwilizwe laseAshtorashe, waza uTurnus weza kubo, kuba waphuma waya eSardunia, eceba ukuyitshabalalisa aze emva koko adlulele eAngeas ukuya kulwa naye.
20 UAngeas noLucus umntakwabo badibana noTurnus kwintlambo yaseCanopia, kwaye imfazwe yayinamandla kwaye inamandla phakathi kwabo kuloo ndawo.
21 Kwaye idabi lalinzima phezu kukaLucus ukumkani waseSardunia, kwaye wonke umkhosi wakhe wawa, kwaye noNiblos unyana wakhe wawa kuloo dabi.
22 Umalume wakhe uAngeas wayalela abakhonzi bakhe baza bamenzela ibhokisi yegolide uNiblos baza bamfaka kuyo, waza uAngeas walwa kwakhona noTurnus, waza uAngeas waba namandla kunaye, wambulala, waza wababulala bonke abantu bakhe ngohlangothi lwekrele, waza uAngeas waphindezela ityala likaNiblos unyana womntakwabo kunye netyala lomkhosi womntakwabo uLucus.
23 Akufa uTurnus, izandla zabo basindileyo edabini zaba buthathaka, baza babaleka phambi kuka-Angeas noLucus umntakwabo.
24 UAngeas nomntakwabo uLucus babasukela ukuya kwindlela enkulu, ephakathi kweAlfanu neRomah, baza babulala wonke umkhosi waseTurnus ngohlangothi lwekrele.
25 ULucus ukumkani waseSardunia wayalela abakhonzi bakhe ukuba benze ibhokisi yobhedu, baze babeke kuyo isidumbu sonyana wakhe uNiblos, baza bamngcwaba kuloo ndawo.
26 Bakha phezu kwayo inqaba ephakamileyo apho endleleni enkulu, baza bayibiza ngegama likaNiblos unanamhla, baza bamngcwaba uTurnus ukumkani waseBibentu apho kunye noNiblos.
27 Kwaye khangela endleleni enkulu phakathi kweAlfanu neRomah ingcwaba likaNiblos likwelinye icala kunye nengcwaba likaTurnus kwelinye, kwaye kukho indlela ephakathi kwabo unanamhla.
28 Akuba uNiblos engcwatywe, uyise uLucus wabuyela nomkhosi wakhe kwilizwe lakhe laseSardunia, waza uAngeas, umntakwabo ukumkani waseAfrika, waya nabantu bakhe kwisixeko saseBibentu, oko kukuthi isixeko saseTurnus.
29 Abemi baseBibentu beva ngodumo lwakhe baza bamoyika kakhulu, baza baphuma baya kumhlangabeza belila bethandaza, baza abemi baseBibentu bacela uAngeas ukuba angababulali okanye angatshabalalisi isixeko sabo; waza wenza njalo, kuba iBibentu ngaloo mihla yayibalwa njengenye yezixeko zabantwana baseKitim; ke ngoko akazange ayitshabalalise isixeko.

30 Kodwa ukususela ngaloo mini imikhosi yokumkani waseAfrika yayisiya eKitim ukuze iyiphange, kwaye nanini na xa besiya, uZefo, umthetheli womkhosi wase-Angeas, wayehamba nabo.
31 Emva koko uAngeas wajika nomkhosi wakhe baza bafika kwisixeko sasePuzimna, waza uAngeas wathabatha uJania intombi kaUzu ukuba abe ngumfazi wakhe waza wamzisa kwisixeko sakhe eAfrika.

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1 Kwathi ngelo xesha, ukumkani waseYiputa, wayalela bonke abantu bakhe ukuba bamenzele indlu eqinileyo eYiputa.
2 Kananjalo wayalela oonyana bakaYakobi ukuba bancede amaYiputa ekwakheni, baza amaYiputa enza indlu entle nentle yokuhlala kobukhosi, waza wahlala kuyo waza wavuselela ulawulo lwakhe waza walawula ngokukhuselekileyo.
3 Wafa ke uZebhulon unyana kaYakobi ngaloo nyaka, ngonyaka wamashumi asixhenxe anesibini wokwehla kwamaSirayeli eYiputa, waza uZebhulon wafa eneminyaka elikhulu elinesine ubudala, wafakwa emkhumbini waza wanikelwa ezandleni zabantwana bakhe.
4 Kwaye kunyaka wamashumi asixhenxe anesihlanu wafa umntakwabo uSimeyon, wayeneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini ubudala ekufeni kwakhe, waza naye wafakwa ebhokisini waza wanikelwa ezandleni zabantwana bakhe.
5 UZefo unyana kaElifazi, unyana kaEsawu, inkokheli yomkhosi ka-Angeas ukumkani waseDinhaba, wayesaqhubeka ecenga uAngeas imihla ngemihla ukuba alungiselele imfazwe yokulwa noonyana bakaYakobi eYiputa, kodwa uAngeas wayengavumi ukwenza oku, kuba abakhonzi bakhe babemxelele onke amandla oonyana bakaYakobi, oko bakwenzileyo kubo ekulweni kwabo noonyana bakaEsawu.
6 Ngaloo mihla uZefo wayemhenda uAngeas imihla ngemihla ukuba alwe noonyana bakaYakobi ngaloo mihla.
7 Emva kwexesha elithile uAngeas waphulaphula amazwi kaZefo waza wavuma ukuba alwe noonyana bakaYakobi eYiputa, waza uAngeas wabaqokelela bonke abantu bakhe, abantu abaninzi njengentlabathi eselunxwemeni lolwandle, waza wazimisela ukuya eYiputa ukuya kulwa.
8 Phakathi kwabakhonzi baka-Angeas kwakukho umfana oneminyaka elishumi elinesihlanu ubudala, igama lakhe yayinguBhileham unyana kaBhehore kwaye umfana wayelumkile kakhulu kwaye eqonda ubuchule bokuthakatha.
9 Wathi uAngeas kuBhileham, Khawusiqilele, ndiyakubongoza, ngobugqwirha, ukuze sazi ukuba ngubani oza koyisa kule mfazwe siqhubeka kuyo ngoku.
10 UBhileham wayalela ukuba bamzise i-wax, waza wenza ngayo umfanekiso weenqwelo zokulwa nabakhweli bamahashe abamele umkhosi ka-Angeas nomkhosi waseYiputa, waza wawabeka emanzini alungiselelwe ngobuchule awayenawo ngaloo njongo, waza wathabatha esandleni sakhe amasebe emithi yemimirtile, waza wasebenzisa ubuchule bakhe, waza wawahlanganisa phezu kwamanzi, kwabonakala kuye emanzini imifanekiso efana neyemikhosi ka-Angeas iwela phambi kwemifanekiso efana neyamaYiputa noonyana bakaYakobi.
11 UBhalam waxelela uAngeas le nto, waza uAngeas waphelelwa lithemba, akaxhoba ukuya eJiputa ukuya kulwa, wahlala kwisixeko sakhe.
12 Xa uZefo unyana kaElifazi wabona ukuba uAngeas wayephelelwe lithemba lokuya kulwa namaYiputa, uZefo wabaleka eAngeas esuka eAfrika, waya eKitim.
13 Bonke abantu baseKitim bamamkela ngembeko enkulu, baza bamqesha ukuba alwe iimfazwe zabo yonke imihla, waza uZefo waba sisityebi kakhulu ngaloo mihla, kwaye imikhosi yokumkani waseAfrika yayisasasazeka ngaloo mihla, kwaye abantwana baseKitim bahlanganisana baya eNtabeni iCuptizia ngenxa yemikhosi ka-Angeas ukumkani waseAfrika, owayebahlasela.
14 Kwaye ngenye imini uZefo walahlekelwa yithokazi lenkomo, waza waya kulifuna, waliva likhala ngeenxa zonke entabeni.
15 Wahamba uZepho, wabona, nanko kukho umqolomba omkhulu ezantsi kwentaba, kwaye kwakukho ilitye elikhulu apho emnyango womqolomba, waza uZepho waliqhekeza ilitye, wangena emqolombeni, wakhangela, wabona isilwanyana esikhulu sidla inkomo; ukususuka embindini ukuya phezulu sasifana nomntu, kwaye ukususuka embindini ukuya ezantsi sasifana nesilwanyana, waza uZepho wasukuma nxamnye nesilwanyana waza wasibulala ngamakrele akhe.
16 Abemi baseKitim beva ngale nto, baza bavuya kakhulu, bathi, Siza kuthini na kulo mntu ubulele esi silwanyana sidle iinkomo zethu?
17 Bonke babehlanganisana ukuze bamngcwalisele usuku olunye ngonyaka, baza babiza igama lalo ngokuthi nguZefo, bazisa kuye iminikelo ethululwayo iminyaka ngeminyaka ngaloo mini, bazisa neminikelo kuye.
18 Ngelo xesha uJania intombi ka-Uzu, umfazi wokumkani uAngeas, wagula, kwaye ukugula kwakhe kwavakala kakhulu ku-Angeas namagosa akhe, waza uAngeas wathi kwizilumko zakhe: “Ndingenza ntoni kuJania, kwaye ndingamphilisa njani kwisifo sakhe?” Izilumko zakhe zathi kuye: “Ngenxa yokuba umoya welizwe lethu awufani nomoya welizwe laseKitim, namanzi ethu akafani namanzi awo, yiyo loo nto ukumkanikazi wagula ngenxa yoku.”
19 Kuba ngenxa yokutshintsha komoya namanzi wagula, kwanangenxa yokuba kwilizwe lakhe wayesela amanzi avela ePurma kuphela, awayewakhuliswe ngookhokho bakhe ngeebhulorho.
20 UAngeas wayalela abakhonzi bakhe, baza bamzisa ngeembiza zamanzi asePurma aseKitim, baza bawalinganisa loo manzi kunye nawo onke amanzi elizwe laseAfrika, baza bawafumana loo manzi ekhaphukhaphu kunamanzi aseAfrika.
21 UAngeas wakubona oku, waza wayalela onke amagosa akhe ukuba ahlanganise abagawuli bamatye ngamawaka namashumi amawaka, baza basika amatye angenakubalwa, baza abakhi beza baza bakha ibhulorho enamandla kakhulu, baza bahambisa umthombo wamanzi ukususuka kwilizwe laseKitim ukuya eAfrika, kwaye loo manzi ayengokaJania ukumkanikazi kunye nayo yonke imiba yakhe, ukuba asele kuwo aze abhake, ahlambe aze ahlambe ngawo, kwaye kananjalo ankcenkceshele ngawo yonke imbewu

enokufumaneka kuyo ukutya, nazo zonke iziqhamo zomhlaba.
22 Ukumkani wayalela ukuba kuthathwe umhlaba waseKitim ngeenqanawa ezinkulu, baze bazise namatye okwakha ngawo, baza abakhi bakha amabhotwe kaYaniya ukumkanikazi, waza ukumkanikazi waphiliswa kwisifo sakhe.
23 Kwaye ngexesha loguquko lonyaka imikhosi yaseAfrika yaqhubeka nokuza kwilizwe laseKitim ukuze iphange njengesiqhelo, waza uZefo unyana kaElifazi weva ingxelo yabo, waza wayalela ngabo waza walwa nabo, baza basaba phambi kwakhe, waza wahlangula ilizwe laseKitim kubo.
24 Bathi oonyana bakaKitim babubona ubugorha bukaTsefo, oonyana bakaKitim bazimisela baza bambeka uTsefo ukumkani phezu kwabo, waza waba ngukumkani phezu kwabo, kwaye ngelixa wayelawula baya koyisa oonyana bakaTubhali, nazo zonke iziqithi ezingqongileyo.
25 Ukumkani wabo uZefo wabakhokela baza balwa neTubhali neziqithi, baza boyisa, baza bakubuya edabini bavuselela ulawulo lwakhe kuye, baza bamakhela indlu enkulu kakhulu yokuhlala kwakhe nobukhosi, baza bamenzela itrone enkulu, waza uZefo walawula lonke ilizwe laseKitim naphezu kwelizwe lase-Itali iminyaka engamashumi amahlanu.

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1 Ngaloo nyaka, ngomnyaka wamashumi asixhenxe anesithoba wokwehla kwamaSirayeli eYiputa, wafa uRubhen, unyana kaYakobi, ezweni laseYiputa, uRubhen eneminyaka elikhulu elinamanci mabini anesihlanu ubudala ekufeni kwakhe; bamfaka etyeyeni, wanikelwa ezandleni zoonyana bakhe.
2 Kwaye kunyaka wamashumi asibhozo wafa umntakwabo uDan; wayeneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini ekufeni kwakhe, waza naye wafakwa ebhokisini waza wanikelwa ezandleni zabantwana bakhe.
3 Ngaloo nyaka wafa uKusham ukumkani wakwaEdom, waza emva kwakhe walawula uHadadi unyana kaBhedadi iminyaka engamashumi amathathu anesihlanu; kwathi ngonyaka wamashumi asibhozo ananye wafa uIsakare unyana kaYakobi eYiputa, uIsakare wayeneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini anesibini ubudala ekufeni kwakhe, waza wafakwa ebhokisini eYiputa, wanikelwa ezandleni zabantwana bakhe.
4 Ngomnyaka wamashumi asibhozo anesibini wafa uAshere, umntakwabo, eneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini anesithathu ubudala ekufeni kwakhe, wafakwa ebhokisini eYiputa, wanikelwa ezandleni zabantwana bakhe.
5 Kwaye ngonyaka wamashumi asibhozo anesithathu wafa uGadi, eneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini anesihlanu ubudala ekufeni kwakhe, waza wafakwa ebhokisini eYiputa, waza wanikelwa ezandleni zabantwana bakhe.
6 Kwathi ngonyaka wamashumi asibhozo anesine, oko kukuthi, unyaka wamashumi amahlanu wokulawula kukaHadadi, unyana kaBhedadi, ukumkani wakwaEdom, uHadadi wahlanganisa bonke oonyana bakaEsawu, waza walungiselela umkhosi wakhe wonke, malunga namakhulu amane amawaka amadoda, waza waqondisa indlela yakhe ukuya kwilizwe lakwaMowabhi, waza waya kulwa namaMowabhi waza wawasebenzisa njengeebhaso kuye.
7 Bakuyiva le nto oonyana bakaMowabhi, boyika kakhulu, bathumela kuonyana bakaMidiyan ukuba babancedise ekulweni noHadadi unyana kaBhedadi, ukumkani wakwaEdom.
8 Wafika uHadadi ezweni lakwaMowabhi; baphuma ooMowabhi noonyana bakaMidiyan baya kumhlangabeza, bakha uluhlu lokulwa naye emhlabeni wakwaMowabhi.
9 UHadadi walwa noMowabhi; kwawa abantu abaninzi koonyana bakaMowabhi nakoonyana bakaMidiyan, malunga namakhulu amabini amawaka amadoda.
10 Idabi laba nzima kakhulu kumaMowabhi, yaye xa oonyana bakaMowabhi babona ukuba idabi linzima kubo, batyhafa izandla zabo baza bajika umva, babashiya oonyana bakaMidiyan ukuba baqhubeke nedabi.
11 Ke kaloku oonyana bakaMidiyan babengazi iinjongo zikaMowabhi, kodwa baziqinisa emfazweni baza balwa noHadadi nomkhosi wakhe wonke, baza bonke abakwaMidiyan boyiswa phambi kwakhe.
12 UHadadi wawaxabela amaMidiyan onke ngokubulala okukhulu, wawabulala ngohlangothi lwekrele, akashiyanga namnye kwababeze kunceda amaMowabhi.
13 Emva kokuba bonke oonyana bakaMidiyan betshabalele edabini, nabantwana bakwaMowabhi bebalekile, uHadadi wabenza bonke ooMowabhi baba ngabasebenzi beenkonzo kuye ngelo xesha, baza baba phantsi kwesandla sakhe, kwaye babehlawula irhafu yonyaka njengoko kwakumiselwe, waza uHadadi wajika wabuyela ezweni lakhe.
14 Kwaye ngexesha lotshintsho lonyaka, xa abanye abantu bakwaMidiyan ababekwelo lizwe beva ukuba bonke abazalwana babo bawile edabini noHadadi ngenxa kaMowabhi, kuba abantwana bakwaMowabhi babejikile edabini baza bashiya amaMidiyan ukuba alwe, ngoko ke iinkosana ezintlanu zakwaMidiyan zagqiba kunye nabanye abazalwana bazo ababesele kwilizwe lazo, ukuba balwe noMowabhi ukuze baphindezele isizathu sabazalwana babo.
15 Oonyana bakaMidiyan bathumela kubazalwana babo bonke, oonyana baseMpuma, nakubazalwana babo bonke, bonke oonyana bakaKetura, beza kuncedisa amaMidiyan ukulwa namaMowabhi.
16 Bakuva oku oonyana bakaMowabhi, boyika kakhulu, kuba bonke oonyana baseMpuma babehlanganisene ndawonye ukuze balwe nabo, baza oonyana bakaMowabhi bathumela isikhumbuzo kwilizwe lakwaEdom kuHadadi unyana kaBhedadi, besithi,
17 Yizani kuthi ngoku nize kusincedisa, size siwaxabele amaMidiyan; kuba onke ahlanganisene ndawonye, asihlasele, enabazalwana bawo bonke, oonyana basempumalanga, ukuze balwe, ukuze baphindezele ityala lamaMidiyan awileyo edabini.
18 UHadadi, unyana kaBhedadi, ukumkani wakwaEdom, waphuma, yena nomkhosi wakhe wonke, waya ezweni lakwaMowabhi, esiya kulwa namaMidiyan; amaMidiyan namaMpuma alwa namaMowabhi emhlabeni wakwaMowabhi; imfazwe yayinzima kakhulu phakathi kwawo.
19 UHadadi wababulala bonke oonyana bakaMidiyan nabasempumalanga ngohlangothi lwekrele, uHadadi wawasindisa amaMowabhi esandleni samaMidiyan ngelo

xesha; abaseleyo bakwaMidiyan nabasempumalanga basaba phambi koHadadi nomkhosi wakhe; uHadadi wabasukela waya kwilizwe labo, wababulala ngogonyamelo olukhulu; ababuleweyo bawa endleleni.
20 UHadadi wawasindisa amaMowabhi esandleni samaMidiyan, kuba bonke oonyana bakaMidiyan babewile ngohlangothi lwekrele, waza uHadadi wajika wabuyela ezweni lakhe.
21 Ukususela ngaloo mini, oonyana bakaMidiyan babathiyile oonyana bakaMowabhi, kuba babewile edabini ngenxa yabo, kwaye kwakukho ubutshaba obukhulu nobunamandla phakathi kwabo yonke imihla.
22 Bonke abafunyanwa kwaMidiyan endleleni yasezweni lakwaMowabhi batshabalala ngekrele lakwaMowabhi, nabo bonke abafunyanwa kwaMowabhi endleleni yasezweni lakwaMidiyan batshabalala ngekrele lakwaMidiyan; benza njalo amaMidiyan kumaMowabhi nakumaMowabhi kumaMidiyan imihla emininzi.
23 Kwathi ngelo xesha uYuda unyana kaYakobi wafa eYiputa, ngomnyaka wamashumi asibhozo anesithandathu wokwehla kukaYakobi eYiputa, uYuda wayeneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini anesithoba ubudala ekufeni kwakhe; bamqhola, bamfaka etyeyeni, wanikelwa ezandleni zoonyana bakhe.
24 Kwaye ngonyaka wamashumi asibhozo anesithoba wafa uNafetali, eneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amathathu anesibini ubudala, waza wafakwa ebhokisini waza wanikelwa ezandleni zabantwana bakhe.
25 Kwathi ngonyaka wamashumi alithoba ananye amaSirayeli ehla esiya eYiputa, oko kukuthi, ngonyaka wamashumi amathathu wolawulo lukaTsefo unyana kaElifazi, unyana kaEsawu, phezu kwabantwana bakwaKitim, abantwana baseAfrika bafika kubantwana bakwaKitim ukuze babaphange njengesiqhelo, kodwa babengazange babafikele kule minyaka ilishumi elinesithathu.
26 Bafika kubo ngaloo nyaka, waza uZefo unyana kaElifazi waphuma waya kubo kunye namanye amadoda akhe waza wababulala kakhulu, kwaye imikhosi yaseAfrika yasaba phambi kukaZefo kwaye ababuleweyo bawa phambi kwakhe, waza uZefo namadoda akhe babasukela, beqhubeka nokubabulala de bafika kufutshane neAfrika.
27 U-Angeas ukumkani wase-Afrika weva into eyenziwe nguZepho, yamkhathaza kakhulu, waza u-Angeas woyika uZepho yonke imihla.

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1 Kwaye kunyaka wamashumi alithoba anesithathu uLevi, unyana kaYakobi, wafa eYiputa, kwaye uLevi wayeneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amathathu anesixhenxe ubudala xa wafayo, baza bamfaka ebhokisini waza wanikelwa ezandleni zabantwana bakhe.
2 Kwathi emva kokufa kukaLevi, xa onke amaYiputa akubonayo ukuba oonyana bakaYakobi, abazalwana bakaYosefu, bafile, onke amaYiputa aqala ukubacinezela oonyana bakaYakobi, nokubabangela buhlungu ubomi ukususela ngaloo mini kwada kwayimini yokuphuma kwabo eYiputa, baza bathabatha ezandleni zabo zonke izidiliya namasimi awayebanike wona uYosefu, nazo zonke izindlu ezintle ababehlala kuzo abantu bakwaSirayeli, nayo yonke into etyebileyo yaseYiputa, amaYiputa athabatha konke koonyana bakaYakobi ngaloo mihla.
3 Isandla sawo onke amaYiputa saba nzima ngaloo mihla nxamnye noonyana bakaSirayeli; amaYiputa abaphatha kakubi oonyana bakaSirayeli, bada badinwa bubomi babo ngenxa yamaYiputa.
4 Kwathi ngaloo mihla, ngonyaka wekhulu elinesibini wokwehla kukaSirayeli eYiputa, uFaro ukumkani waseYiputa wafa, waza uMelol unyana wakhe walawula esikhundleni sakhe, kwaye onke amadoda anamandla aseYiputa nawo onke loo sizukulwana esasimazi uYosefu nabazalwana bakhe bafa ngaloo mihla.
5 Kwavela esinye isizukulwana endaweni yaso, esasingabazi oonyana bakaYakobi, nako konke okulungileyo ababekwenzile kubo, namandla abo onke eYiputa.
6 Ngoko ke, ukususela ngaloo mini, lonke ilizwe laseYiputa laqalisa ukubenza buhlungu oonyana bakaYakobi, libacinezela ngazo zonke iintlobo zomsebenzi onzima, kuba babengabazi ooyise ababebahlangule ngemihla yendlala.
7 Kwaye oku kwakuvela eNkosini, ngenxa yabantwana bakaSirayeli, ukuze kuzuze bona ngemihla yabo yokugqibela, ukuze bonke abantwana bakaSirayeli bamazi uYehova uThixo wabo.
8 ukuze ndiziqonde imiqondiso nezimanga ezinkulu awayeza kuzenza uYehova eYiputa ngenxa yabantu bakhe amaSirayeli, ukuze oonyana bakaSirayeli bamoyike uYehova, uThixo wooyise, bahambe ngeendlela zakhe zonke, bona nembewu yabo emva kwabo imihla yonke.
9 UMelol wayeneminyaka engamashumi amabini ubudala xa waqala ukulawula, waza walawula iminyaka engamashumi asithoba anesine, kwaye lonke iYiputa lamthiya igama elithi Faro ngegama likayise, njengoko kwakunjalo kubo bonke ookumkani ababelawula eYiputa.
10 Ngelo xesha yonke imikhosi ka-Angeas ukumkani wase-Afrika yaphuma yaya kuchithachitha ilizwe laseKitim njengesiqhelo ukuze iphange.
11 Uthe uZefo, unyana kaElifazi, unyana kaEsawu, akukuva oko, waphuma waya kubahlangabeza, yena nempi yakhe, walwa nabo endleleni.
12 UZepho wawaxabela amajoni okumkani waseAfrika ngohlangothi lwekrele, akashiya namnye kuwo, kwaye akukho namnye owabuyela enkosini yakhe eAfrika.
13 UAngeas weva ngale nto uZefo unyana kaElifazi wayeyenzile kuyo yonke imikhosi yakhe, ukuba uyitshabalalisile, waza uAngeas wahlanganisa yonke imikhosi yakhe, onke amadoda elizwe laseAfrika, abantu abaninzi njengentlabathi eselunxwemeni lolwandle.
14 UAngeas wathumela kuLucus umntakwabo, esithi, Yiza kum kunye nabo bonke abantu bakho uze undincede ndibulale uZefo nabo bonke abantwana baseKitim abatshabalalise amadoda am, waza uLucus weza nomkhosi wakhe wonke, umkhosi omkhulu kakhulu, ukuza kuncedisa uAngeas umntakwabo ukuba alwe noZefo nabantwana baseKitim.
15 Bakuyiva le nto ooTsefo noonyana bakaKitim, boyika kakhulu, bafikelwa luloyiko olukhulu.

16 UZefo wathumela incwadi kwilizwe lakwaEdom kuHadadi unyana kaBhedadi, ukumkani wakwaEdom, nakubo bonke oonyana bakaEsawu, esithi,
17 Ndivile ukuba ukumkani waseAfrika u-Angeas uza kuthi kunye nomntakwabo ukuze alwe nathi, kwaye siyamoyika kakhulu, kuba umkhosi wakhe mkhulu kakhulu, ngakumbi njengoko esiza nxamnye nomntakwabo kunye nomkhosi wakhe ngokufanayo.
18 Ngoko ke nani yizani nam nize kundinceda, silwe kunye noAngeas nomntakwabo uLucus, nize nisisindise ezandleni zabo; ukuba akunjalo, yazini ukuba sonke siya kufa.
19 Oonyana bakaEsawu bathumela incwadi kubantwana bakwaKitim nakuTsefo ukumkani wabo, besithi, Asinakulwa noAngeas nabantu bakhe, kuba umnqophiso woxolo ubukho phakathi kwethu kule minyaka mininzi, ukususela kwimihla kaBhela ukumkani wokuqala, nakwimihla kaYosefu unyana kaYakobi ukumkani waseYiputa, esalwa naye ngaphesheya kweYordan xa wangcwaba uyise.
20 Wathi uZefo akuweva amazwi abantakwabo oonyana bakaEsawu, wazibamba, waza uZefo woyika kakhulu uAngeas.
21 UAngeas noLukus umntakwabo bamisa umkhosi wabo wonke, amadoda amalunga namakhulu asibhozo amawaka, besiya kuhlasela oonyana bakaKitim.
22 Bonke oonyana bakaKitim bathi kuZefo, Sithandazele kuThixo wooyihlo, mhlawumbi angasisindisa esandleni sika-Angeas nomkhosi wakhe, kuba sivile ukuba unguThixo omkhulu, nokuba uyabahlangula bonke abakholose ngaye.
23 UZefo weva amazwi abo, waza uZefo wafuna iNkosi, wathi:
24 0 Nkosi Thixo ka-Abraham noIsake ookhokho bam, namhlanje ndiyazi ukuba unguThixo oyinyaniso, kwaye bonke oothixo beentlanga bangamampunge kwaye abancedi nganto.
25 Khumbula namhlanje umnqophiso wakho noAbraham ubawo wethu, owasixelela wona ookhokho bethu, uze wenze ngobubele kum namhlanje ngenxa ka-Abraham noIsake oobawo bethu, undisindise mna nabantwana baseKitim esandleni sokumkani waseAfrika oza kusihlasela edabini.
26 UYehova waliphulaphula ilizwi likaZefo, wamkhathalela ngenxa ka-Abraham noIsake, waza uYehova wamhlangula uZefo noonyana bakaKitim esandleni sika-Angeas nabantu bakhe.
27 UZepho walwa no-Angeas ukumkani wase-Afrika kunye nabo bonke abantu bakhe ngaloo mini, waza uYehova wabanikela bonke abantu base-Angeas ezandleni zabantwana baseKitim.
28 Idabi laba nzima phezu kuka-Angeas, waza uZefo wababulala bonke amadoda ase-Angeas noLucus umntakwabo, ngohlangothi lwekrele, kwaza kwawa kubo kwada kwahlwa ngaloo mini malunga namakhulu amane amawaka amadoda.
29 Akubona uAngeas ukuba onke amadoda akhe atshabalele, wathumela ileta kubo bonke abemi baseAfrika ukuba beze kuye, ukuze bamncedise edabini, waza wabhala kule leta, esithi, Bonke abafumanekayo eAfrika mabaze kum ukususela kwiminyaka elishumi ubudala nangaphezulu; bonke mabaze kum, kwaye khangela ukuba akafiki uya kufa, kwaye konke anako, kunye nendlu yakhe yonke, ukumkani uya kukuthatha.
30 Bonke abanye abemi baseAfrika boyika ngamazwi ka-Angeas, kwaphuma amadoda namakhwenkwe amalunga namakhulu amathathu amawaka, ukususela kwiminyaka elishumi ukuya phezulu, baya e-Angeas.
31 Ekupheleni kweentsuku ezilishumi uAngeas waphinda walwa noZefo noonyana bakaKitim, imfazwe yaba nkulu kakhulu kwaye inamandla phakathi kwabo.
32 Kwaye evela kumkhosi ka-Angeas noLucus, uZefo wathumela amadoda amaninzi angxwelerhiweyo esandleni sakhe, amadoda amalunga namawaka amabini, kwaye uSosiphtar, umthetheli womkhosi wase-Angeas, wawa kuloo mfazwe.
33 Akuba uSosiphtar ewile, imikhosi yaseAfrika yajika yabaleka, yaza yabaleka, uAngeas noLucus umntakwabo babekunye nabo.
34 UZefo noonyana bakaKitim babasukela, baza babaxabela endleleni nzima, amadoda amalunga namakhulu amabini, baza bamsukela uAzdrubali unyana ka-Angeas owayebaleke noyise, baza babulala amadoda akhe angamashumi amabini endleleni, waza uAzdrubali wasinda koonyana bakaKitim, kodwa abazange bambulale.
35 UAngeas noLucus umntakwabo babaleka kunye nabanye abantu babo, baza babaleka baza bafika eAfrika benoloyiko noloyiko, waza uAngeas woyika yonke imihla ukuba uZefo unyana kaElifazi angaya kulwa naye.

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1 UBhileham unyana kaBhehore wayekunye noAngeya emfazweni ngelo xesha, waza wabona ukuba uTsefo woyisile iAngeya, wabaleka apho waya eKitim.
2 UZefo noonyana bakaKitim bamamkela ngembeko enkulu, kuba uZefo wayebazi ubulumko bukaBhileham, waza uZefo wanika uBhileham izipho ezininzi waza wahlala naye.
3 Akuba uZefo ebuyile emfazweni, wayalela ukuba bonke oonyana bakaKitim ababeye edabini naye babalwe, kwaye akukho namnye owasalayo.
4 UZefo wavuya ngale nto, waza wavuselela ubukumkani bakhe, waza wenza isidlo kubo bonke abantu bakhe.
5 Kodwa uZepho akazange ayikhumbule iNkosi kwaye akazange acinge ukuba iNkosi yayimncedile emfazweni, nokuba yayimhlangule yena nabantu bakhe esandleni sokumkani waseAfrika, kodwa waqhubeka ehamba ngeendlela zabantwana bakaKitim nabantwana abangendawo bakaEsawu, ukuze bakhonze abanye oothixo ababefundiswe ngabazalwana bakhe ngabantwana bakaEsawu; kungoko kuthiwa, Kwabangendawo kuphuma ububi.
6 UZefo walawula bonke oonyana bakaKitim ngokukhuselekileyo, kodwa wayengazi iNkosi eyayimhlangule yena nabo bonke abantu bayo esandleni sokumkani waseAfrika; kwaye imikhosi yaseAfrika ayizange iphinde ize eKitim ukuze iphange njengesiqhelo, kuba yayisazi ngamandla kaZefo owayebabulele bonke ngohlangothi lwekrele, ngoko ke uAngeas wayemoyika uZefo unyana kaElifazi, kunye nabantwana bakaKitim yonke imihla.

7 Ngelo xesha xa uZepho wayebuyile emfazweni, naxa uZepho wayebonile indlela aboyise ngayo bonke abantu baseAfrika waza wababulala edabini ngekrele, uZepho wacebisana nabantwana baseKitim, ukuba baye eYiputa ukuya kulwa noonyana bakaYakobi noFaro ukumkani waseYiputa.
8 Kuba uZefo weva ukuba amadoda anamandla aseYiputa afile nokuba uYosefu nabazalwana bakhe oonyana bakaYakobi bafile, nokuba bonke abantwana babo oonyana bakaSirayeli basele eYiputa.
9 UZefo wacinga ukuya kulwa nabo, neYiputa yonke, ukuze aphindezele ityala labazalwana bakhe, oonyana bakaEsawu, awababulalayo uYosefu, nabazalwana bakhe, namaYiputa onke, ezweni lakwaKanan, xa benyuka baya kungcwaba uYakobi eHebron.
10 UZefo wathuma abathunywa kuHadadi unyana kaBhedadi, ukumkani wakwaEdom, nakubazalwana bakhe bonke, oonyana bakaEsawu, esithi,
11 Awutshongo na ukuba awuyi kulwa nokumkani waseAfrika kuba ulilungu lesivumelwano sakho? khangela, ndalwa naye ndaza ndambulala yena nabantu bakhe bonke.
12 Ngoku ke ndizimisele ukulwa neYiputa nabantwana bakaYakobi abalapho, ndize ndiphindezele kubo ngenxa yoko uYosefu, nabazalwana bakhe, nooyisemkhulu, basenzayo ezweni lakwaKanan, xa babenyuka ukuya kungcwaba uyise eHebron.
13 Ngoku ke ukuba niyavuma ukuza kum ukuze nindincede ekulweni nabo neYiputa, siya kubaphindezela abazalwana bethu.
14 Baphulaphula oonyana bakaEsawu amazwi kaZefo; bahlanganisana oonyana bakaEsawu, abantu abaninzi kakhulu, baya kuncedisa uZefo noonyana bakaKitim emfazweni.
15 UZefo wathumela kubo bonke oonyana baseMpuma nakubo bonke oonyana bakaIshmayeli ngamazwi anjalo, baza bahlanganisana, beza kunceda uZefo noonyana bakaKitim emfazweni nxamnye neYiputa.
16 Bonke aba kumkani, ukumkani wakwaEdom, nabantu basempuma, nabo bonke oonyana bakaIshmayeli, noTsefo, ukumkani waseKitim, baphuma, bamisa yonke imikhosi yabo eHebron.
17 Kwaye inkampu yayinzima kakhulu, ithatha umgama wohambo lweentsuku ezintathu, abantu abaninzi njengentlabathi eselunxwemeni lolwandle engenakubalwa.
18 Bonke abo kumkani nemikhosi yabo behla, balwa neYiputa yonke, bamisa iintente ndawonye entlanjeni yasePatros.
19 Athi onke amaYiputa akukuva oko, ahlanganisana ndawonye, bonke abantu belizwe laseYiputa, nemizi yonke yaseYiputa, amadoda angathi ngamakhulu amathathu amawaka.
20 Amadoda aseYiputa athumela nakoonyana bakaSirayeli ababesezweni laseGoshen ngaloo mihla, ukuba beze kubo, balwe nabo kumkani.
21 Amadoda akwaSirayeli aqokelelana ndawonye, amadoda angathi likhulu elinamanci mahlanu, aphuma aya emfazweni, aya kunceda amaYiputa.
22 Amadoda akwaSirayeli nawaseYiputa aphuma, amadoda amalunga namakhulu amathathu amawaka, amadoda alikhulu elinamashumi amahlanu, aya kulwa naba kumkani, aza azimisa ngaphandle kwelizwe laseGoshen malunga nePatros.
23 AmaYiputa akakholwanga kumaSirayeli ukuba ahambe nawo emfazweni, kuba onke amaYiputa ayesithi, Mhlawumbi oonyana bakaSirayeli bangasinikela esandleni soonyana bakaEsawu noIshmayeli, kuba ngabazalwana babo.
24 Athi onke amaYiputa koonyana bakaSirayeli, Hlalani apha ndawonye, sime ndawonye, silwe nabantwana bakaEsawu noIshmayeli; ukuba aba kumkani bathe boyisa phezu kwethu, yizani kubo ngokupheleleyo, nisincede. Benjenjalo ke oonyana bakaSirayeli.
25 UZefo unyana kaElifazi unyana kaEsawu ukumkani wamaKitim, noHadadi unyana kaBhedadi ukumkani wakwaEdom, neenkampu zabo zonke, nabo bonke oonyana basempumalanga, noonyana bakaIshmayeli, abantu abaninzi njengentlabathi, bamisa ndawonye entlanjeni yasePatros malunga neTakepaneshe.
26 UBhileham unyana kaBhehore, umSiriya, wayelapho enkampini kaTsefo, kuba wayeze emfazweni noonyana bakaKitim, kwaye uBhileham wayeyindoda ehlonitshwayo emehlweni kaTsefo namadoda akhe.
27 Wathi uZefo kuBhileham, Sihlolele ngokuvumisa, ukuze sazi ukuba ngubani na oya koyisa emfazweni, thina okanye amaYiputa.
28 Wavuka uBhileham waza wazama ubuchule bokuvumisa, kwaye wayenobuchule bokwazi oko, kodwa wayedidekile kwaye umsebenzi watshatyalaliswa esandleni sakhe.
29 Waza wazama kwakhona kodwa ayizange iphumelele, waza uBhileham waphelelwa lithemba waza wayishiya waza akayenza, kuba oku kwakuvela kuYehova, ukuze kubangele ukuba uZefo nabantu bakhe bawele esandleni sabantwana bakaSirayeli, ababethembele kuYehova, uThixo wooyise, emfazweni yabo.
30 UZefo noHadadi bahlela umkhosi wabo, baza bonke abaseYiputa baphuma bodwa, malunga namakhulu amathathu amawaka amadoda, kungekho nanye indoda yakwaSirayeli eyayinabo.
31 Onke amaYiputa alwa nookumkani aba malunga nePatros neTakephanches, yaza imfazwe yaba nzima kumaYiputa.
32 Ookumkani babenamandla kunamaYiputa kuloo mfazwe, kwaza kwawa amadoda aseYiputa amalunga nekhulu elinamashumi asibhozo ngaloo mini, kunye namadoda amalunga namashumi amathathu emikhosi yookumkani, kwaye onke amadoda aseYiputa abaleka phambi kookumkani, ngoko oonyana bakaEsawu noIshmayeli bawasukela amaYiputa, beqhubeka nokuwabulala ukuya kufika kwindawo apho kwakukho inkampu yabantwana bakwaSirayeli.
33 Onke amaYiputa amemeza koonyana bakaSirayeli, esithi, Khawulezani nize kuthi nisincede, nisisindise esandleni sikaEsawu, noIshmayeli, noonyana bakaKitim.
34 Amadoda alikhulu elinamashumi amahlanu oonyana bakaSirayeli abaleka esuka kwizikhululo zawo aya kwiinkampu zaba kumkani, baza oonyana bakaSirayeli bakhala kuYehova uThixo wabo ukuba abahlangule.
35 UYehova wawaphulaphula amaSirayeli, uYehova wawanikela esandleni sawo onke amadoda ookumkani; oonyana bakaSirayeli balwa naba kumkani, oonyana

bakaSirayeli babulala amadoda ookumkani amalunga namawaka amane.
36 UYehova wabangela uloyiko olukhulu enkampini yookumkani, kangangokuba bafikelwa luloyiko ngenxa yabantwana bakaSirayeli.
37 Kwaye yonke imikhosi yookumkani yasaba phambi kwabantwana bakaSirayeli kwaye abantwana bakaSirayeli babasukela beqhubeka nokubabulala ukuya kufikelela kwimida yelizwe laseKushi.
38 Oonyana bakaSirayeli babulala amadoda angamawaka amabini endleleni, akwawa namnye koonyana bakaSirayeli.
39 Akubona amaYiputa ukuba oonyana bakaSirayeli balwe namadoda ambalwa nookumkani, nokuba imfazwe yayinzima kakhulu kubo,
40 Onke amaYiputa oyika kakhulu ubomi bawo ngenxa yemfazwe enzima, abaleka onke amaYiputa, ebasithela, elowo evela kumkhosi oxhobileyo, azimela endleleni, awashiya amaSirayeli ukuba alwe.
41 Kwaye oonyana bakaSirayeli bababetha kakhulu amadoda ookumkani, baza babuya kubo emva kokuba bebagxothile baya kumda welizwe laseKushi.
42 Onke amaSirayeli ayesazi into ayenzileyo amadoda aseYiputa kuwo, ukuba abaleka phambi kwawo edabini, aze awashiye edabini odwa.
43 Kananjalo oonyana bakaSirayeli benza ngobuqhopholo, baza xa oonyana bakaSirayeli bebuya edabini bafumana abanye bamaYiputa endleleni, bababulala apho.
44 Kwaye ngelixa babebabulala, bathetha kubo la mazwi:
45 Kutheni na ukuba nisuke kuthi nize nisishiye, singabantu abambalwa, ukuze silwe naba kumkani ababenabantu abaninzi bokusixabela, ukuze ngaloo ndlela nisindise imiphefumlo yenu?
46 Ke kaloku, xa amaSirayeli adibana nawo endleleni, athi omnye komnye, Mbulale, umbulale; kuba ungumIshmayeli, okanye umEdom, okanye ungowaseKitim. Bama phezu kwakhe, bambulala; bazi ukuba ungumYiputa.
47 Oonyana bakaSirayeli bazenza ezi zinto ngobuqhopholo kumaYiputa, kuba bawashiya edabini, baza basaba phambi kwawo.
48 Oonyana bakaSirayeli babulala amadoda aseYiputa endleleni, amadoda angathi ngamakhulu amabini.
49 Onke amadoda aseYiputa abubona ububi ababenzileyo oonyana bakaSirayeli kuwo; onke amaYiputa oyika kakhulu oonyana bakaSirayeli, kuba ayebonile amandla awo amakhulu, nokuba akukho namnye kubo owawayo.
50 Bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli babuya ngendlela yabo bevuya ukuya eGoshen, nabanye abantu baseYiputa babuyela elowo endaweni yakhe.

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1 Kwathi emva kwezi zinto, bonke abacebisi bakaFaro, ukumkani waseYiputa, nabo bonke amadoda amakhulu aseYiputa, bahlanganisana, beza phambi kokumkani, baqubuda emhlabeni; bahlala phantsi phambi kwakhe.
2 Bathetha ke abacebisi namadoda amakhulu aseYiputa kukumkani, besithi,
3 Khangela, abantu bakwaSirayeli baninzi kwaye banamandla kunathi, kwaye wena uyabazi bonke ababenzayo kuthi endleleni xa sasibuya edabini.
4 Kwaye uwabonile amandla abo aqinileyo, kuba la mandla avela kooyise, kuba amadoda ambalwa eme nxamnye nabantu abaninzi njengentlabathi, ababulala ngohlangothi lwekrele, kwaye akukho namnye kubo owawayo, kangangokuba ukuba babebaninzi ngebabebatshabalalise ngokupheleleyo.
5 Ngoko ke sixeleleni ngoko masikwenze ngabo, side sibatshabalalise kancinci kancinci phakathi kwethu, hleze bande kakhulu kuthi kweli lizwe.
6 Kuba ukuba abantwana bakaSirayeli bayanda kweli lizwe, baya kuba sisithintelo kuthi, kwaye ukuba kukho imfazwe eyenzekayo, baya kuthi ngamandla abo amakhulu badibane notshaba lwethu, balwe nathi, basitshabalalise kulo ilizwe baze bahambe kulo.
7 Ukumkani waphendula wathi kumadoda amakhulu aseYiputa: “Nali icebo elicetywe ngamaSirayeli, esingayi kumka kulo.
8 Khangela, kukho iPitom neRameses kweli lizwe, izixeko ezinganqatyiswanga ukulwa, kufanelekile ukuba wena nathi sizakhe, size siziqinise.
9 Hamba ke ngoko, uye kubo ngobuqhetseba, uvakalise ilizwi eYiputa naseGoshen, ngokomyalelo wokumkani, uthi,
10 Nonke nina madoda aseYiputa, eGoshen, ePatros, nabo bonke abemi bayo, ukumkani usiwisele umthetho wokuba sakhe iPitom neRameses, size siqinise imfazwe; ukuba ngubani na phakathi kwenu kulo lonke elaseYiputa, koonyana bakaSirayeli, nakubo bonke abemi bezixeko, ovumayo ukwakha nathi, uya kunikwa umvuzo wakhe imihla ngemihla ngukumkani; ngoko ke qalani nize nenze ngobuchule, nizihlanganise nize ePitom neRameses ukuze nakhe.
11 Xa nisakha, yenzani isaziso esinjalo yonke imihla kulo lonke elaseJiputa ngokomyalelo kakumkani.
12 Xa kufika abanye oonyana bakaSirayeli ukuza kwakha nawe, uya kubanika umvuzo wabo imihla ngemihla kangangeentsuku ezimbalwa.
13 Kwaye emva kokuba besakhe kunye nani ukuze bafumane umvuzo wemihla ngemihla, zikhupheni kude nabo imihla ngemihla ngamnye ngasese, nize nisuke nibe ngabaphathi babo bomsebenzi namagosa, nize nibashiye emva koko ukuba bakhe ngaphandle kwemivuzo, kwaye ukuba bayala, banyanzeleni ngamandla enu onke ukuba bakhe.
14 Kwaye ukuba nenza oku kuya kuba kuhle kuthi ukuqinisa ilizwe lethu nxamnye nabantwana bakaSirayeli, kuba ngenxa yokudinwa kwesakhiwo nomsebenzi, abantwana bakaSirayeli baya kuncipha, kuba niya kubahlutha abafazi babo imihla ngemihla.
15 Onke amadoda amakhulu aseYiputa aliva icebo lokumkani, kwaye icebo labonakala lilungile emehlweni abo, nasemehlweni abakhonzi bakaFaro, nasemehlweni onke amaYiputa, benza ngokwelizwi lokumkani.
16 Bonke abakhonzi bemka kukumkani, baza bathumela isaziso kulo lonke elaseYiputa, eTakipaneshi naseGoshen, nakwimizi yonke ejikeleze iYiputa, besithi:
17 Niyibonile into abayenzileyo kuthi oonyana bakaEsawu noIshmayeli, abasihlaselayo, befuna ukusitshabalalisa.
18 Ke ngoko ukumkani wasiyalela ukuba siqinise ilizwe, sakhe izixeko iPitom neRameses, size siziqinisele imfazwe, ukuba ziphinda zisiza kuthi.

19 Nabani na kuni, ovela kulo lonke elaseYiputa, nakoonyana bakaSirayeli, oya kuza ukwakha nathi, uya kufumana umvuzo wakhe wemihla ngemihla ngukumkani, njengoko esiyalelayo.
20 Akuva amaYiputa nawo onke amaSirayeli konke oko kwathethwa ngabakhonzi bakaFaro, kwaphuma amaYiputa, noonyana bakaSirayeli, ukuza kwakha kunye nabakhonzi bakaFaro, iPitom neRameses; kodwa akukho namnye kubantwana bakaLevi oweza nabazalwana bakhe ukuza kwakha.
21 Bonke abakhonzi bakaFaro neenkosana zakhe beza ekuqaleni benobuqhophololo bokwakha kunye noSirayeli wonke njengabasebenzi abaqeshwe imihla ngemihla, baza banika uSirayeli umvuzo wabo wemihla ngemihla ekuqaleni.
22 Abakhonzi bakaFaro bakha kunye namaSirayeli onke, baza baqeshwa kuloo msebenzi kunye namaSirayeli inyanga yonke.
23 Ekupheleni kwenyanga, bonke abakhonzi bakaFaro baqalisa ukuphuma ngasese kumaSirayeli imihla ngemihla.
24 AmaSirayeli aqhubeka nomsebenzi ngelo xesha, kodwa ke afumana umvuzo wemihla ngemihla, kuba amanye amadoda aseYiputa ayesaqhubeka nomsebenzi kunye namaSirayeli ngelo xesha; ngoko ke amaYiputa awanika uSirayeli umvuzo wawo ngaloo mihla, ukuze wona amaYiputa, abasebenzi abangoogxa bawo, nawo afumane umvuzo womsebenzi wawo.
25 Ekupheleni konyaka oneenyanga ezine onke amaYiputa aphuma koonyana bakaSirayeli, kangangokuba oonyana bakaSirayeli basala bodwa emsebenzini.
26 Emva kokuba amaYiputa ephumile kuwo onke amaSirayeli, abuya aza aba ngabacinezeli nabaphathi phezu kwawo, yaye amanye awo ayengabaphathi bomsebenzi phezu kwamaSirayeli, ukuze amkele kubo konke awayebanika kona ngokomvuzo womsebenzi wabo.
27 AmaYiputa ebesenza njalo koonyana bakaSirayeli imihla ngemihla, ebacinezela ngemisebenzi yabo.
28 Bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli babesebenza bodwa, ngoko ke amaYiputa ayeka ukubanika umvuzo oonyana bakaSirayeli ukususela ngelo xesha.
29 Xa amanye amadoda akwaSirayeli engazange avume ukusebenza ngenxa yokuba ayenganikwanga imivuzo, abalawuli bawo kunye nabakhonzi bakaFaro babacinezela, bababetha ngokubetha okukhulu, baza babanyanzela ukuba babuyele emsebenzini kunye nabazalwana babo; benjenjalo bonke amaYiputa koonyana bakaSirayeli yonke imihla.
30 Bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli boyika kakhulu amaYiputa ngenxa yesi sizathu, baza bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli babuya baza basebenza bodwa ngaphandle kwentlawulo.
31 Oonyana bakaSirayeli bakha iPithom neRameses, bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli basebenza, abanye besenza izitena, abanye besakha, oonyana bakaSirayeli bakha baza baqinisa lonke ilizwe laseYiputa neendonga zalo, baza oonyana bakaSirayeli basebenza iminyaka emininzi, de kwafika ixesha lokuba uYehova abakhumbule aze abakhuphe eYiputa.
32 Ke bona oonyana bakaLevi abazange basebenzele umsebenzi kunye nabazalwana babo amaSirayeli, ukususela ekuqaleni ukuya kutsho kwimini yokuphuma kwabo eYiputa.
33 Kuba bonke oonyana bakaLevi babesazi ukuba amaYiputa ayewathethe onke la mazwi ngenkohliso kumaSirayeli, ngoko ke oonyana bakaLevi abazange basondele emsebenzini kunye nabazalwana babo.
34 AmaYiputa awazange agxininise ekuphoqeleleni oonyana bakaLevi ukuba basebenze emva koko, kuba babengazange babe nabazalwana babo ekuqaleni, ngoko ke amaYiputa abashiya bodwa.
35 Izandla zamadoda aseYiputa zazisoloko zibukhali nxamnye nabantwana bakwaSirayeli ngaloo msebenzi, aza amaYiputa abasebenzisa ngokungqongqo abantwana bakwaSirayeli.
36 AmaYiputa abenza krakra ubomi boonyana bakaSirayeli ngomsebenzi onzima, ngodaka nangezitena, nangazo zonke iintlobo zomsebenzi wasemasimini.
37 AmaSirayeli ambiza uMeloli ukumkani waseYiputa ngokuthi, “Meror, ukumkani waseYiputa,” kuba ngemihla yakhe amaYiputa ayebenza buhlungu ubomi bawo ngayo yonke imisebenzi.
38 Yonke imisebenzi amaYiputa awayebasebenzisa ngayo oonyana bakaSirayeli, ayebacinezela ngokutyumzayo, ukuze abacinezele oonyana bakaSirayeli; kodwa okukhona bebacinezela, kokukhona banda, banda; amaYiputa akhathazeka ngenxa yoonyana bakaSirayeli.

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1 Ngelo xesha wafa uHadadi unyana kaBhedadi, ukumkani wakwaEdom; noSamla waseMesreka, wasezweni lasempumalanga, waba ngukumkani esikhundleni sakhe.
2 Ngomnyaka weshumi elinesithathu wobukumkani bukaFaro ukumkani waseYiputa, owawungumnyaka wekhulu elinamanci mabini anesihlanu wokwehla kwamaSirayeli eYiputa, uSamla waba ngukumkani iminyaka elishumi elinesibhozo phezu kwamaEdom.
3 Akuba elawula, wakhupha imikhosi yakhe ukuya kulwa noZefo unyana kaElifazi kunye nabantwana bakaKitim, kuba babelwe no-Angeas ukumkani wase-Afrika, baza bawutshabalalisa wonke umkhosi wakhe.
4 Kodwa akazange adibane naye, kuba oonyana bakaEsawu bamnqanda, besithi, Ngumzalwana wabo, ngoko uSamla waliphulaphula ilizwi loonyana bakaEsawu, wabuyela ezweni lakwaEdom, yena nayo yonke imikhosi yakhe, akabanga salwa noTsefo unyana kaElifazi.
5 UFaro ukumkani waseYiputa weva eli lizwi, lisithi, USamla ukumkani wakwaEdom uzimisele ukulwa noonyana baseKitim; emveni koko uya kuza kulwa neYiputa.
6 Athi amaYiputa akukuva oku, andisa umsebenzi phezu koonyana bakaSirayeli, ukuze amaSirayeli angabenzi kubo njengoko enza kubo ekulweni kwawo noonyana bakaEsawu ngemihla kaHadadi.
7 Athi amaYiputa koonyana bakaSirayeli, Khawulezani nenze umsebenzi wenu, niwugqibe umsebenzi wenu, niwomeleze ilizwe, hleze oonyana bakaEsawu, abazalwana benu, beze kulwa nathi; kuba ngenxa yenu, baya kusihlasela.
8 Oonyana bakaSirayeli babesenza imisebenzi yamadoda aseYiputa imihla ngemihla; amaYiputa ayebacinezela oonyana bakaSirayeli ukuze abanciphise elizweni.

9 Kodwa njengoko amaYiputa ayesanda umsebenzi phezu kwabantwana bakaSirayeli, ngokunjalo oonyana bakaSirayeli banda baza banda, yaza yonke iYiputa yazaliswa ngabantwana bakaSirayeli.
10 Kwathi ngonyaka wekhulu elinamashumi amabini anesihlanu amaSirayeli ehla aya eYiputa, onke amaYiputa abona ukuba icebo lawo aliphumelelanga nxamnye namaSirayeli, kodwa anda aza anda, ilizwe laseYiputa nelizwe laseGoshen lazaliswa ngabantwana bakwaSirayeli.
11 Ngoko ke onke amadoda amakhulu aseJiputa nezilumko zalo zeza kukumkani, zaqubuda kuye, zahlala phantsi phambi kwakhe.
12 Athi onke amadoda amakhulu aseYiputa nezilumko zalo kukumkani, Makaphile ukumkani ngonaphakade; usinike icebo malunga nabantwana bakaSirayeli, senza kubo ngokwelizwi lokumkani.
13 Kodwa ngokomlinganiselo wokwanda kwabasebenzi, bayanda kwaye bayanda elizweni, kwaye khangela lonke ilizwe lizaliswe ngabo.
14 Ke ngoko, nkosi yethu, amehlo eYiputa yonke aphezu kwakho, ukuba ubacebise ngobulumko bakho, ukuze boyise uSirayeli, bawatshabalalise, okanye bawanciphise kweli lizwe; ukumkani wabaphendula wathi, Nika icebo ngale nto, ukuze sazi ukuba senze ntoni na kubo.
15 Waphendula ukumkani igosa elithile, elinye lamaphakathi okumkani, eligama linguYobhi, laseMesopotamiya, ezweni laseUtse, lathi,
16 Ukuba kuthe kwalunga kukumkani, makaphulaphule icebiso lomkhonzi wakhe; wathi ukumkani kuye, Thetha.
17 Wathetha uYobhi phambi kokumkani, nabathetheli, naphambi kwawo onke amadoda amakhulu aseYiputa, wathi,
18 Khangela, icebo lokumkani awalicebisayo ngaphambili malunga nomsebenzi woonyana bakaSirayeli lilungile kakhulu, kwaye akufuneki urhoxise abo basebenzayo ngonaphakade.
19 Nasi ke icebo eninokulisebenzisa ukuze nibanciphise, ukuba kuthe kwalunga emehlweni okumkani ukuba bahlupheke.
20 Yabonani, besisoloko sisoyika imfazwe, saza sathi, Xa uSirayeli ethe wachuma kweli lizwe, baya kusigxotha kweli lizwe ukuba kuthe kwabakho imfazwe.
21 Ukuba kuthe kwalunga kukumkani, makuphume umthetho wokumkani, ubhalwe emithethweni yaseYiputa, ongayi kutshintshwa, wokuba bonke abantwana abangamadoda abazalwa kumaSirayeli, igazi labo maliphalazwe emhlabeni.
22 Kwaye ngokwenza oku, xa bonke abantwana bakwaSirayeli abangamadoda befile, ububi beemfazwe zabo buya kuphela; ukumkani makenze njalo aze athumele bonke ababelekisi bamaHebhere aze abayalele ukuba bayenze le nto; ngoko ke loo nto yamkholisa ukumkani neenkosana, waza ukumkani wenza ngokwelizwi likaYobhi.
23 Ukumkani wathumela ukuba kubizwe ababelekisi bamaHebhere, igama lomnye linguShefra, negama lomnye linguPuwa.
24 Bafika ke abazalisikazi phambi kokumkani, bema phambi kwakhe.
25 Wathi ukumkani kubo, Xa niza kuzala abafazi bamaHebhere, nibabona besesihlalweni, ukuba yinkwenkwe, noyibulala; ukuba yintombi, yophila.
26 Kodwa ukuba aniyi kuyenza le nto, ndiya kunitshisa ngomlilo nina nezindlu zenu zonke.
27 Kodwa ababelekisi babemoyika uThixo, abazange bamphulaphule ukumkani waseYiputa namazwi akhe, yaye xa abafazi bamaHebhere babezalela umbelekisi unyana okanye intombi, umbelekisi wayesenza konke okwakuyimfuneko kumntwana aze amyeke aphile.
28 Kwathiwa le nto kukumkani, wathumela wabiza ababelekisi, wathi kubo, Niyenzeleni le nto, nasindisa abantwana?
29 Baphendula abazalisikazi, bathetha phambi kokumkani, besithi,
30 Makangathi ukumkani ucinga ukuba abafazi bamaHebhere bafana nabafazi bamaYiputa, kuba bonke abantwana bakwaSirayeli baphilile, kwaye ngaphambi kokuba umbelethisi afike kubo, bazala, kwaye thina bakhonzi bakho, kangangeentsuku ezininzi akukho mfazi wamaHebhere ozalele phezu kwethu, kuba bonke abafazi bamaHebhere ngababelethisi babo, kuba baphilile.
31 Waweva uFaro amazwi abo, wakholwa ngabo, baza abazalisikazi bemka kukumkani; uThixo wabenzela okulungileyo; banda abantu, banda kakhulu.

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1 Kwakukho indoda ezweni laseYiputa, yembewu kaLevi, egama linguAmram, unyana kaKehati, unyana kaLevi, unyana kaSirayeli.
2 Loo ndoda yaya kuthabatha umfazi, uYokebhede, intombi kaLevi, udade boyise, eneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini anesithandathu ubudala, yaza yaya kuye.
3 Wamitha umfazi, wazala intombi, wayithiya igama elinguMiriyam, kuba ngaloo mihla amaYiputa ayebenza buhlungu ubomi babantwana bakaSirayeli.
4 Waphinda wakhulelwa waza wazala unyana, wamthiya igama elinguAron, kuba ngemihla yokukhulelwa kwakhe, uFaro waqala ukuphalaza igazi labantwana bakwaSirayeli abangamadoda.
5 Ngaloo mihla wafa uTsefo unyana kaElifazi, unyana kaEsawu, ukumkani waseKitim, noJanehasi waba ngukumkani esikhundleni sakhe.
6 Kwaye ixesha uTsefo awalawula ngalo oonyana bakaKitim laliyiminyaka engamashumi amahlanu, waza wafa waza wangcwatyelwa kwisixeko saseNabna kwilizwe laseKitim.
7 UJanehasi, omnye wamadoda anamandla oonyana bakaKitim, walawula emva kwakhe waza walawula iminyaka engamashumi amahlanu.
8 Kwathi emva kokufa kokumkani waseKitim, uBhileham unyana kaBhehore wabaleka ezweni laseKitim, waya eYiputa kuFaro ukumkani waseYiputa.
9 UFaro wamamkela ngembeko enkulu, kuba wayevile ngobulumko bakhe, wamnika izipho, wamenza umcebisi, wamenza mkhulu.
10 UBhileham wahlala eYiputa, ehloniphekile kunye nabo bonke abanumzana bokumkani, kwaye abanumzana

bamphakamisa, kuba bonke babenqwenela ukufunda ubulumko bakhe.
11 Kwathi ngonyaka wekhulu elinamashumi amathathu wehla uSirayeli esiya eYiputa, uFaro waphupha ehleli etroneni yakhe yobukumkani, waza waphakamisa amehlo akhe wabona indoda endala imi phambi kwakhe, kwaye kwakukho izikali ezandleni zendoda endala, izikali ezisetyenziswa ngabarhwebi.
12 Indoda endala yathabatha izikali yazixhoma phambi koFaro.
13 Indoda endala yathabatha bonke abadala baseYiputa, bonke abathetheli bayo, namadoda amakhulu, yababopha ndawonye, yababeka kwisikali esinye.
14 Wathabatha itakane lobisi walifaka kwesinye isikali, laza itakane lazingca ngaphezu kwayo yonke into.
15 UFaro wamangaliswa ngulo mbono woyikekayo, ukuba kutheni umntwana wayecinga kakhulu ngayo yonke into, waza uFaro wavuka, wabona ukuba liphupha.
16 Wavuka uFaro kusasa, wabiza bonke abakhonzi bakhe, wabaxelela iphupha lakhe; amadoda oyika kakhulu.
17 Wathi ukumkani kuzo zonke izilumko zakhe, Khawundichazele iphupha endiliphuphileyo, ukuze ndilazi.
18 UBhileham unyana kaBhehore wamphendula ukumkani, wathi kuye, Oku akuthethi nto yimbi, kuya kuvela ububi obukhulu eYiputa ekupheleni kwemihla.
19 Kuba uSirayeli uza kuzalwa unyana oza kuyitshabalalisa yonke iYiputa nabemi bayo, aze abakhuphe amaSirayeli eYiputa ngesandla esinamandla.
20 Ke ngoko, kumkani, ceba ngale nto, ukuze utshabalalise ithemba labantwana bakaSirayeli kunye nethemba labo, ngaphambi kokuba le ntlekele ivele kwiYiputa.
21 Wathi ukumkani kuBhileham, Siza kuthini na kumaSirayeli? Ngokuqinisekileyo ngendlela ethile sacebisana ngawo ekuqaleni, kodwa asikwazanga ukuwoyisa.
22 Ke ngoko cebisa nawe nxamnye nabo, ukuze sibanqobe.
23 Waphendula uBhileham, wathi kukumkani, Thumela ngoku, ubize abacebisi bakho ababini, sibone ukuba lithini na icebo labo ngale nto; emva koko umkhonzi wakho uya kuthetha.
24 Ukumkani wathumela wabiza abacebisi bakhe ababini uRehuweli umMidiyan noYobhi umUzi, baza bahlala phambi kokumkani.
25 Wathi ukumkani kubo, Yabonani, nilivile iphupha endiliphuphileyo, nentsingiselo yalo; ngoku ke cebisanani, nazi, nibone ukuba kuza kwenziwa ntoni koonyana bakaSirayeli, ukuze sibanqobe, ngaphambi kokuba ububi babo buvele phezu kwethu.
26 URehuweli umMidiyan wamphendula ukumkani wathi, Makaphile ukumkani, makaphile ukumkani ngonaphakade.
27 Ukuba kuthe kwalunga kukumkani, makayeke amaHebhere, awashiye, angasoluli isandla sakhe phezu kwawo.
28 Kuba aba ngabo iNkosi yabanyulayo ngemihla yakudala, yaza yathabatha njengelifa layo phakathi kwazo zonke iintlanga zomhlaba nookumkani bomhlaba; kwaye ngubani na owolula isandla sakhe nxamnye nabo engenatyala, uThixo wabo angazange aphindezelelwe kubo?
29 Ngokuqinisekileyo uyazi ukuba xa uAbraham wehla waya eYiputa, uFaro, ukumkani wangaphambili waseYiputa, wambona uSara umfazi wakhe, waza wamthabatha ukuba abe ngumfazi, kuba uAbraham wathi, Ngudade wethu, kuba wayesoyika, hleze amadoda aseYiputa ambulale ngenxa yomkakhe.
30 Kwaye xa ukumkani waseYiputa wayemthabathile uSara, uThixo wambetha yena nendlu yakhe ngezibetho ezinzima, wada wambuyisela kuAbraham umkakhe uSara, waza waphiliswa.
31 Ke kaloku uAbhimeleki, ukumkani wamaFilisti, uThixo wohlwaya ngenxa kaSara, umka-Abraham, ngokuvalela zonke izibeleko, ukususela kumadoda ukuya kwizilwanyana.
32 Xa uThixo wabo weza kuAbhimeleki ephupheni ebusuku, wamoyikisa, ukuze ambuyisele kuAbraham uSara abemthabathile. Emva koko bonke abantu baseGerare bohlwaywa ngenxa kaSara. UAbraham wabathandazela kuThixo wakhe, wathandazeka kuye, wabaphilisa.
33 UAbhimeleki woyika bonke obu bubi bumehlelayo yena nabantu bakhe, waza wabuyela kuAbraham umkakhe uSara, wamnika izipho ezininzi.
34 Wenza njalo nakuIsake xa wayemgxotha eGerare, waza uThixo wamenzela izinto ezimangalisayo, kangangokuba yonke imijelo yamanzi yaseGerare yomile, nemithi yayo echumayo ayizange ivelise ziqhamo.
35 Kwada kwafika uAbhimeleki waseGerare, noAhuzati, umhlobo wakhe, noPikoli, umthetheli womkhosi wakhe, kuye, baqubuda, baqubuda phambi kwakhe emhlabeni.
36 Bamcela ukuba abathandazele; wabathandazela kuYehova; wathandazeka uYehova, wabaphilisa.
37 UYakobi, indoda engenasiphako, wahlangulwa ngenxa yengqibelelo yakhe esandleni somntakwabo uEsawu, nasesandleni sikaLabhan umSiriya, umntakwabonina, owayefuna ubomi bakhe; ngokunjalo nasesandleni sabo bonke ookumkani bamaKanan ababehlanganisene nxamnye naye nabantwana bakhe ukuba babatshabalalise, uYehova wabahlangula esandleni sabo, kangangokuba babajika bababulala, kuba ngubani owakha wolula isandla sakhe nxamnye nabo engenatyala?
38 Inene, uFaro wokuqala, uyise kayihlo, wamphakamisa uYosefu unyana kaYakobi ngaphezu kwazo zonke izikhulu zelizwe laseYiputa, xa wabona ubulumko bakhe, kuba ngobulumko bakhe wabasindisa bonke abemi belizwe endlaleni.
39 Emva koko wayalela uYakobi nabantwana bakhe ukuba behle baye eYiputa, ukuze ngenxa yesidima sabo, ilizwe laseYiputa nelizwe laseGoshen lihlangulwe kwindlala.
40 Ngoko ke, ukuba kulungile emehlweni akho, yeka ukutshabalalisa oonyana bakaSirayeli; kodwa ukuba akuthandi ukuba bahlale eYiputa, bandulule apha, baye ezweni laseKanan, ilizwe ababehlala kulo ooyise.
41 Wathi uFaro akuweva amazwi kaYitro, wavutha ngumsindo kakhulu, wasuka edanile ebusweni bokumkani, waya kwaMidiyan, ilizwe lakhe, wathabatha intonga kaYosefu.
42 Wathi ukumkani kuYobhi umUzi, Uthini na wena Yobhi, kwaye ucebisa ntoni ngamaHebhere?
43 Wathi uYobhi kukumkani, Yabona, bonke abemi beli lizwe basesandleni sakho, ukumkani makenze oko kulungileyo emehlweni akhe.
44 Wathi ukumkani kuBhileham, Uthini na, Bhileham, thetha ilizwi lakho ukuze silive?

45 Wathi uBhileham kukumkani, Kuzo zonke iingcinga azicebisileyo ukumkani ngamaHebhere, ukumkani akayi kuba nako ukuwahlula nangaliphi na icebo.
46 Kuba ukuba ucinga ukubanciphisa ngomlilo ovuthayo, awunakuboyisa, kuba ngokuqinisekileyo uThixo wabo wamhlangula uAbraham uyise eUre yamaKaledi; kwaye ukuba ucinga ukubatshabalalisa ngekrele, ngokuqinisekileyo uIsake uyise wahlangulwa kulo, kwaye kwabekwa inkunzi yegusha endaweni yakhe.
47 Kwaye ukuba ucinga ukubanciphisa ngomsebenzi onzima nonzima, awuyi kuphumelela nakuloo nto, kuba uyise uYakobi wakhonza uLabhan kuyo yonke imisebenzi enzima, waza waphumelela.
48 Ngoko ke, Kumkani, yiva amazwi am, kuba le yingcinga ecetywayo nxamnye nabo, oya kuboyisa ngayo, kwaye akufanele uphambuke kuyo.
49 Ukuba kuthe kwalunga kukumkani makayalele bonke abantwana babo abaza kuzalwa ukususela namhlanje ukuya phambili, ukuba baphoswe emanzini, kuba ngale nto ungalicima igama labo, kuba akukho namnye kubo, okanye kooyise, owavavanywa ngolu hlobo.
50 Waweva ukumkani amazwi kaBhileham, lalunga elo lizwi kukumkani nakubathetheli, waza ukumkani wenza ngokwelizwi likaBhileham.
51 Ukumkani wayalela ukuba kukhutshwe isaziso, kwenziwe nomthetho kulo lonke ilizwe laseYiputa, othi: “Bonke abantwana abangamankwenkwe abazalwa kumaHebhere ukususela namhlanje mabaphoswe emanzini.”
52 UFaro wababiza bonke abakhonzi bakhe, wathi, Hambani niye kufuna kulo lonke ilizwe laseGoshen, apho bakhoyo oonyana bakaSirayeli, nibone ukuba bonke oonyana abazalwa kumaHebhere baphoswa emlanjeni, kodwa zonke iintombi ningazishiyi ziphile.
53 Bathi oonyana bakaSirayeli bakukuva oko uFaro wayekuyalele, ukuba baphose abantwana babo abangamakhwenkwe emlanjeni, abanye abantu babashiya abafazi babo, abanye babalandela.
54 Ukususela ngaloo mini, xa ixesha lokuzala lifikile kwabo bafazi bakwaSirayeli ababesele namadoda abo, baya emasimini ukuze bazale apho, bazalele emasimini, bashiya abantwana babo emasimini babuyela emakhaya.
55 Kwaye iNkosi eyayifungile kookhokho babo ukuba iya kubandisa, yathumela enye yeengelosi zayo ezikhonzayo ezisezulwini ukuba zihlambe umntwana ngamnye emanzini, zimthambise kwaye zimgubungele kwaye zibeke ezandleni zakhe amatye amabini agudileyo kwelinye lawo elalifunxa ubisi kwaye kwelinye linobusi, kwaye yenza ukuba iinwele zakhe zikhule ziye emadolweni, ukuze azigqume ngazo; ukuze azithuthuzele kwaye anamathele kuzo, ngenceba yakhe ngenxa yazo.
56 Kwaye xa uThixo waba nemfesane ngabo waza wanqwenela ukubandisa phezu komhlaba, wayalela umhlaba wakhe ukuba ubamkele ukuze bagcinwe kuwo de kube lixesha lokukhula kwabo, emva koko umhlaba wavula umlomo wawo waza wabahlanza baza bahluma esixekweni njengemifuno yomhlaba, nengca yehlathi, baza babuyela ngamnye kusapho lwakhe nakwindlu kayise, baza bahlala nabo.
57 Kwaye iintsana zabantwana bakaSirayeli emhlabeni zazinjengemifuno yasendle, ngenxa yobabalo lukaThixo kubo.
58 Akubona oku onke amaYiputa, aphuma, elowo waya entsimini yakhe, eneenkomo zakhe, nesikali sakhe, alima, njengomntu olima umhlaba ngexesha lokuhlwayela imbewu.
59 Bathi bakulima, babengenakukwazi ukubenzakalisa abantwana babantwana bakwaSirayeli, ngoko ke abantu banda baza banda kakhulu.
60 UFaro wayalela abaphathi bakhe imihla ngemihla ukuba baye eGoshen ukuya kufuna iintsana zabantwana bakwaSirayeli.
61 Bathi bakuyifumana, bayithabatha esifubeni sikanina ngamandla, bayiphosa emlanjeni, kodwa umntwana oyintombazana bamshiya nonina; babesenza njalo amaYiputa kumaSirayeli yonke imihla.

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1 Kwaye ngelo xesha umoya kaThixo waba phezu kukaMiriyam intombi ka-Amram udade boAron, waphuma waya kuprofeta ngendlu, esithi, Yabonani, sizalelwe unyana ngubawo nomama ngeli xesha, kwaye uya kusindisa uSirayeli ezandleni zamaYiputa.
2 Akuva uAmram amazwi entombi yakhe, wahamba waya kuthatha umfazi wakhe wambuyisela endlwini, emva kokuba emgxothile ngexesha uFaro awayalela ngalo ukuba bonke abantwana abangamadoda bendlu kaYakobi baphoswe emanzini.
3 Ngoko uAmram wamthabatha uYokebhede umfazi wakhe, emva kweminyaka emithathu emgxothile, waza weza kuye, wamitha.
4 Kwaye ekupheleni kweenyanga ezisixhenxe emva kokukhulelwa kwakhe wazala unyana, kwaye yonke indlu yazaliswa kukukhanya okukhulu njengokukhanya kwelanga nenyanga ngexesha lokukhanya kwazo.
5 Wathi umfazi akubona umntwana ukuba ulungile kwaye uyathandeka emehlweni akhe, wamfihla iinyanga ezintathu kwigumbi elingaphakathi.
6 Ngaloo mihla amaYiputa aceba ukutshabalalisa onke amaHebhere apho.
7 Abafazi baseYiputa baya eGoshen apho kwakukhona abantwana bakwaSirayeli, bathwala abantwana babo emagxeni abo, iintsana zabo ezazingakwazi ukuthetha.
8 Ngaloo mihla, xa abafazi bakwaSirayeli babezala, ngamnye umfazi wayemfihla unyana wakhe phambi kwamaYiputa, ukuze amaYiputa angazi ngokuzalwa kwawo, angawatshabalalisi ezweni.
9 Abafazi baseYiputa bafika eGoshen, abantwana babo ababengakwazi ukuthetha bebathwele emagxeni abo, kwathi xa umfazi ongumYiputa efika endlwini yomfazi ongumHebhere, usana lwakhe lwaqalisa ukulila.
10 Kwathi xa kukhala umntwana owayesegumbini elingaphakathi, waphendula, baza abafazi baseYiputa baya kuxela oko endlwini kaFaro.
11 UFaro wathumela amagosa akhe ukuba athabathe abantwana aze ababulale; enjenjalo amaYiputa kubafazi bamaHebhere yonke imihla.
12 Kwathi ngelo xesha, malunga neenyanga ezintathu emva kokuba uYokebhede emfihle unyana wakhe, le nto yaziwa endlwini kaFaro.
13 Wakhawuleza umfazi wamthabatha unyana wakhe ngaphambi kokuba kufike abalungiseleli, wathabatha

umkhombe wemikhombe, wawutyabeka ngebhitumene netela, wamfaka umntwana kuwo, wawubeka ezingcongolweni elunxwemeni lomlambo.
14 UMiriyam udade wabo wema mgama ukuze azi ukuba kuya kwenzeka ntoni kuye, nokuba kuya kwenzeka ntoni na ngamazwi akhe.
15 Ngaloo xesha uThixo wathumela ubushushu obukhulu ezweni laseYiputa, batshisa inyama yomntu njengelanga emjikelezweni walo, bawacinezela kakhulu amaYiputa.
16 Onke amaYiputa ehla aya kuhlamba emlanjeni, ngenxa yobushushu obutshisayo inyama yawo.
17 UBhathiya, intombi kaFaro, waya kuhlamba emlanjeni ngenxa yobushushu obugqithisileyo, neentombi zakhe zahamba ecaleni komlambo, kunye nabo bonke abafazi baseYiputa.
18 UBhetiya waphakamisa amehlo akhe wajonga emlanjeni, wabona umkhombe phezu kwamanzi, wathumela isicakakazi sakhe ukuba siye kuwuthatha.
19 Wayivula, wambona umntwana, nanko umntwana elila, wamsizela, wathi, Lo ngomnye wabantwana bamaHebhere.
20 Bonke abafazi baseYiputa ababehamba ecaleni komlambo babenqwenela ukumnika umntwana, kodwa yena wala ukumncancisa, kuba le nto yayivela kuYehova, ukuze ambuyisele esifubeni sikanina.
21 UMiriyam udade wabo ngelo xesha wayephakathi kwabafazi baseYiputa ecaleni komlambo, waza wakubona oku, wathi kwintombi kaFaro, Ndingaya kubiza na umfazi ongumamaHebhere oza kukwanyisa umntwana?
22 Yathi intombi kaFaro kuye, Hamba. Yaya ke intombi leyo, yabiza unina womntwana.
23 Intombi kaFaro yathi kuYokebhede, Thabatha lo mntwana undincancisele, ndokuhlawula umvuzo wakho, iishekele ezimbini zesilivere ngemini; umfazi wamthabatha umntwana, wamncancisa.
24 Kwathi ekupheleni kweminyaka emibini, umntwana wakhula, wamsa kwintombi kaFaro, waba ngunyana kuyo, wamthiya igama elinguMoses, kuba wathi, Ndimkhuphe emanzini.
25 UAmram uyise wamthiya igama elinguKebhare, kuba wathi, Ngenxa yakhe wadibana nomfazi wakhe awayemjikile.
26 UYokebhede unina wamthiya igama elithi Yekuthiyeli, ngokuba wathi, Ndimthembile kuSomandla, uThixo wambuyisela kum.
27 UMiriyam udade wabo wamthiya igama lokuba nguYerede, kuba wehla emva kwakhe waya emlanjeni ukuze azi ukuba isiphelo sakhe siya kuba yintoni na.
28 UAron umntakwabo wamthiya igama lokuba nguAbhi Zanuki, esithi, Ubawo wamshiya umama, wabuyela kuye ngenxa yakhe.
29 UKehati uyise ka-Amram wamthiya igama elinguAbhidore, kuba ngenxa yakhe uThixo walungisa indawo eyayiqhekekile yendlu kaYakobi, kangangokuba babengasakwazi ukuphosa abantwana babo abangamakhwenkwe emanzini.
30 Umondli wabo wambiza ngokuba nguAbhi Soko, esithi, Wafihlwa ententeni yakhe iinyanga ezintathu, ngenxa yoonyana bakaHam.
31 Onke amaSirayeli amthiya igama elinguShemaya, unyana kaNetaneli, kuba athi, Ngemihla yakhe uThixo ukuvile ukukhala kwabo, wabahlangula kubacinezeli babo.
32 UMoses wayesendlwini kaFaro, waza waba ngunyana kaBhatiya, intombi kaFaro, waza uMoses wakhulela phakathi kwabantwana bokumkani.

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1 Wafa ukumkani wakwaEdom ngaloo mihla, ngonyaka weshumi elinesibhozo wobukumkani bakhe, wangcwatyelwa etempileni yakhe awayezakhele yona njengendlu yakhe yobukhosi ezweni lakwaEdom.
2 Oonyana bakaEsawu bathumela ePetore, esecaleni koMlambo, bathabatha khona umfana omehlo amahle, omhle, ogama linguSawule, bamenza ukumkani esikhundleni sikaSamla.
3 USawule waba ngukumkani phezu kwabo bonke oonyana bakaEsawu ezweni lakwaEdom iminyaka engamashumi amane.
4 UFaro ukumkani waseYiputa wabona ukuba icebo likaBhileham awayelicebise ngoonyana bakaSirayeli aliphumelelanga, kodwa baqhubeka bechuma, banda, banda kulo lonke ilizwe laseYiputa,
5 UFaro wayalela ngaloo mihla ukuba kukhutshwe isaziso kulo lonke elaseYiputa koonyana bakaSirayeli, esithi: “Makungabikho mntu unciphisa umsebenzi wakhe wemihla ngemihla.”
6 Ke umntu othe wafunyanwa engenamsebenzi kwimisebenzi yakhe yemihla ngemihla, nokuba kusedakeni okanye kuseziteneni, unyana wakhe omncinci makabekwe endaweni yakhe.
7 Umsebenzi waseYiputa waba nzima phezu kwabantwana bakwaSirayeli ngaloo mihla, kwaye khangela, ukuba isitena esinye sasingenamsebenzi wemihla ngemihla womntu, amaYiputa athabatha unyana wakhe omncinci ngokunyanzela kunina, amfaka esakhiweni endaweni yesitena uyise awayesishiye singenamsebenzi.
8 Amadoda aseYiputa ayenza loo nto kubo bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli imihla ngemihla, yonke imihla ixesha elide.
9 Kodwa isizwe sakwaLevi asizange sisebenze namaSirayeli abazalwana baso ngelo xesha, kwasekuqaleni, kuba oonyana bakaLevi babesazi ubuqhetseba bamaYiputa ababebusebenzisa ekuqaleni kumaSirayeli.

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1 Ngomnyaka wesithathu ukususela ekuzalweni kukaMoses, uFaro wayehleli esidlweni, xa uAlparaniti ukumkanikazi wayehleli ngasekunene kwakhe noBhatiya ngasekhohlo kwakhe, nomfana uMoses elele esifubeni sakhe, noBhileham unyana kaBhehore noonyana bakhe ababini, kunye neenkosana zonke zobukumkani babehleli etafileni phambi kokumkani.
2 Umfana wolula isandla sakhe entlokweni yokumkani, wathabatha isithsaba entlokweni yokumkani, wasibeka entlokweni yakhe.
3 Xa ukumkani neenkosana babona umsebenzi owenziwe yinkwenkwe, ukumkani neenkosana boyika, kwaye indoda enye yathi shwaka kummelwane wayo.
4 Ukumkani wathi kwiinkosana ezaziphambi kwakhe etafileni, Nithini na kwaye nithini, nina zinkosana, ngale nto, kwaye yintoni eya kugwetywa yinkwenkwe ngenxa yesi senzo?

5 Waphendula uBhileham unyana kaBhehore, isazinzulu, phambi kokumkani nabathetheli, wathi, Khawukhumbule, nkosi yam, iphupha oliphuphileyo imihla emininzi, noko wakutyhilelwayo ngumkhonzi wakho.
6 Ngoko ke lo ngumntwana woonyana bamaHebhere, onomoya kaThixo kuye, kwaye inkosi yam mayingacingi ukuba lo mfana wenze le nto engenalwazi.
7 Kuba ngumfana ongumHebhere, ubulumko nokuqonda kuye, nangona esengumntwana, kwaye ngobulumko ukwenzile oku waza wazikhethela ubukumkani baseYiputa.
8 Kuba le yindlela yawo onke amaHebhere yokukhohlisa ookumkani nezikhulu zabo, ukuze benze zonke ezi zinto ngobuqhetseba, ukuze ookumkani bomhlaba namadoda abo bangcangcazele.
9 Ngokuqinisekileyo uyazi ukuba uAbraham uyise wenza njalo, owakhohlisa umkhosi kaNimrod ukumkani waseBhabheli, noAbhimeleki ukumkani waseGerare, nokuba wazithathela ilizwe labantwana bakaHeti nazo zonke izikumkani zaseKanan.
10 Nokuba wehla waya eYiputa waza wathi ngoSara umfazi wakhe, ngudade wethu, ukuze alahlekise iYiputa nokumkani wayo.
11 Nonyana wakhe uIsake wenjenjalo, waya eGerare, wahlala khona; amandla akhe aba namandla phezu komkhosi ka-Abimeleki, ukumkani wamaFilisti.
12 Wacinga nangokubangela ukuba ubukumkani bamaFilisti bube buthathaka, ngokuthi uRebheka umkakhe ngudade wabo.
13 UYakobi wamkhohlisa umntakwabo, wathabatha esandleni sakhe ubuzibulo bakhe nentsikelelo yakhe.
14 Waya ePadan-aram endlwini kaLabhan uninalume, wathabatha kuye intombi yakhe, nemfuyo yakhe, nayo yonke into awayenayo, wabaleka, wabuyela ezweni lakwaKanan kuyise.
15 Oonyana bakhe bathengisa umntakwabo uYosefu, owaya eYiputa waza waba likhoboka, waza wavalelwa entolongweni iminyaka elishumi elinesibini.
16 Wada uFaro wangaphambili waphupha amaphupha, wamkhupha entolongweni, wamphakamisa ngaphezu kwazo zonke izikhulu zaseYiputa ngenxa yokumchazela amaphupha akhe.
17 Xa uThixo wabangela indlala kulo lonke ilizwe, wathumela ukuba uyise, nabo bonke abazalwana bakhe, nayo yonke indlu kayise, wabaxhasa ngaphandle kwentlawulo okanye umvuzo, waza wathenga amaYiputa ukuba abe ngamakhoboka.
18 Ke ngoko nkosi yam kumkani, khangela, lo mntwana uvukile esikhundleni sabo eYiputa, ukuze enze ngokwezenzo zabo aze adlale ngabo bonke ookumkani, iinkosana nabagwebi.
19 Ukuba kuthe kwalunga kukumkani, masilichithe igazi lakhe emhlabeni, hleze akhule aze asuse ulawulo esandleni sakho, litshabalale ithemba leYiputa emva kokuba elawula.
20 Wathi uBhileham kukumkani, Masibize bonke abagwebi baseYiputa nezilumko zayo, sazise ukuba isigwebo sokufa sifanelekile na kulo mfana njengoko utshilo, size simbulale.
21 UFaro wathumela, wabiza zonke izilumko zaseYiputa, zeza phambi kokumkani; kwafika isithunywa sikaYehova phakathi kwazo, wayenjengesinye sezilumko zaseYiputa.
22 Ukumkani wathi kwizilumko, “Nivile ukuba le nkwenkwe yomHebhere esendlwini yenziwe yintoni, waza wagweba uBhileham ngaloo nto.”
23 Ngoku ke gwebani nani nize nibone ukuba yintoni efanelwe yinkwenkwe ngesenzo esenzekileyo.
24 Isithunywa sezulu, esasifana nesilumko sikaFaro, saphendula sathi, phambi kwazo zonke izilumko zaseYiputa, naphambi kokumkani nezikhulu:
25 Ukuba kuthe kwalunga kukumkani, ukumkani makathumele amadoda aya kuzisa phambi kwakhe ilitye le-onyx kunye nelahle lomlilo, aze azibeke phambi komntwana, kwaye ukuba umntwana uya kolula isandla sakhe aze athabathe ilitye le-onyx, ngoko ke siya kwazi ukuba umfana wenze konke akwenzileyo ngobulumko, kwaye simele simbulale.
26 Kodwa ukuba wolula isandla sakhe phezu kwelahle, siya kwazi ke ngoko ukuba ebengengokwazi ukuba wenze le nto, kwaye uya kuphila.
27 Le nto yabonakala ilungile emehlweni okumkani nabathetheli, wenza ke ukumkani ngokwelizwi lesithunywa sikaYehova.
28 Ukumkani wayalela ukuba kuziwe nelitye le-onikis kunye nelahle, zibekwe phambi koMoses.
29 Bayibeka inkwenkwe phambi kwabo, yaza inkwenkwe yazama ukolula isandla sayo kwilitye le-onyx, kodwa ingelosi yeNkosi yasibamba isandla sayo yasibeka phezu kwelahle, kwaye ilahle lacima esandleni sayo, yaza yaliphakamisa yalifaka emlonyeni wayo, yatshisa inxalenye yemilebe yayo nenxalenye yolwimi lwayo, yaza yaba nzima emlonyeni naselulwimini.
30 Xa ukumkani neenkosana bakubona oku, baqonda ukuba uMoses akazange enze ngobulumko ngokususa isithsaba entlokweni yokumkani.
31 Ngoko ukumkani neenkosana abazange babulale umntwana, ngoko uMoses wahlala endlwini kaFaro, ekhula, kwaye uYehova wayenaye.
32 Kwaye ngelixa inkwenkwe yayisendlwini yokumkani, yayinxibe iingubo ezimfusa kwaye yayikhula phakathi kwabantwana bokumkani.
33 Xa uMoses wayekhulela endlwini yokumkani, uBhatiya, intombi kaFaro, wayemjonga njengonyana, yaye yonke indlu kaFaro yayimhlonela, yaye onke amadoda aseYiputa ayemoyika.
34 Waphuma imihla ngemihla, waya ezweni laseGoshen, apho kwakukho abazalwana bakhe, oonyana bakaSirayeli; uMoses wayebabona imihla ngemihla bephelelwa ngumphefumlo, besebenza nzima.
35 UMoses wababuza, esithi, Yini na ukuba nithwale lo msebenzi imihla ngemihla?
36 Bamxelela konke okwabehlelayo, nayo yonke imiyalelo uFaro awayebanike yona ngaphambi kokuzalwa kwakhe.
37 Bamxelela onke amacebo awayecetywe nguBhileham unyana kaBhehore ngabo, kwanawo nawacetywe ngawo ukuze bambulale xa wayesusa isithsaba sokumkani entlokweni yakhe.
38 Wathi uMoses akukuva oku, wavutha umsindo wakhe kuBhileham, wafuna ukumbulala; wayemlalele imihla ngemihla.
39 UBhileham wayemoyika uMoses, waza yena noonyana bakhe ababini basukuma baphuma eYiputa, baza basaba

baza basindisa imiphefumlo yabo baza bazinikela kwilizwe laseKushi kuKikianus, ukumkani waseKushi.
40 UMoses wayengaphakathi endlwini yokumkani, ephuma ephuma, uYehova wamnika ubabalo emehlweni kaFaro, nasemehlweni abakhonzi bakhe bonke, nasemehlweni abantu bonke baseYiputa; bamthanda kakhulu uMoses.
41 Kwathi ngemini uMoses waya eGoshen ukuya kubona abazalwana bakhe, wababona oonyana bakaSirayeli bethwele imithwalo yabo nemithwalo enzima, waza uMoses waba buhlungu ngenxa yabo.
42 UMoses wabuyela eYiputa, waya endlwini kaFaro, weza phambi kokumkani; uMoses waqubuda phambi kokumkani.
43 Wathi uMoses kuFaro, Nkosi yam, ndize kucela into encinci kuwe, ungabujiki ubuso bam bungenanto. Wathi uFaro kuye, Thetha.
44 Wathi uMoses kuFaro, Abakhonzi bakho oonyana bakaSirayeli abaseGoshen mabanikwe imini enye yokuphumla emsebenzini wabo.
45 Ukumkani wamphendula uMoses wathi, Yabona, ndibuphakamisile ubuso bakho ngale nto, ukuba ndikunike isicelo sakho.
46 UFaro wayalela ukuba kukhutshwe isaziso kulo lonke elaseYiputa naseGoshen, esithi:
47 Kuni nonke bantwana bakwaSirayeli, utsho ukumkani ukuthi, Niya kusebenza imihla emithandathu, nisebenze, kodwa ngomhla wesixhenxe niphumle, ningasebenzi, nize nenze umsebenzi imihla yonke, njengoko ukumkani noMoses unyana kaBhatiya babeyalele.
48 UMoses wayivuyela le nto ayinikwe ngukumkani, baza bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli benza njengoko uMoses wayebayalele.
49 Kuba le nto yayivela kuYehova kubantwana bakaSirayeli, kuba iNkosi yayiqalile ukubakhumbula abantwana bakaSirayeli ukuze ibasindise ngenxa yooyise.
50 UYehova wayenoMoses, udumo lwakhe lwasasazeka kulo lonke elaseYiputa.
51 UMoses waba mkhulu emehlweni amaYiputa onke, nasemehlweni oonyana bakaSirayeli bonke, ebafunela okulungileyo abantu bakhe amaSirayeli, ethetha uxolo ngabo kukumkani.

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1 Xa uMoses wayeneminyaka elishumi elinesibhozo ubudala, wanqwenela ukubona uyise nonina, waya kubo eGoshen, waza uMoses wasondela eGoshen, wafika kwindawo apho abantwana bakaSirayeli babesebenza khona, wajonga imithwalo yabo, wabona umYiputa ebetha omnye wabazalwana bakhe abangamaHebhere.
2 Xa indoda eyayibethiwe yambona uMoses, yabaleka yaya kuye ifuna uncedo, kuba indoda leyo uMoses wayehlonitshwa kakhulu endlwini kaFaro, yaza yathi kuye, Nkosi yam, ndiphulaphule, lo mYiputa weza endlwini yam ebusuku, wandibopha, waza weza kumkam phambi kwam, ngoku ufuna ukundibulala.
3 Wathi uMoses akuyiva le nto imbi, wavutha umsindo wakhe ngakuloo mYiputa, wajika waya ngapha nangapha, wathi akubona ukuba akukho mntu apho, wambulala umYiputa, wamfihla entlabathini, wamhlangula umHebhere esandleni salowo wambethayo.
4 Waya umHebhere endlwini yakhe, uMoses wabuyela endlwini yakhe, waphuma, wabuyela endlwini yokumkani.
5 Yathi yakubuyela ekhaya indoda leyo, yacinga ngokumala umfazi wayo, kuba kwakungafanelekanga endlwini kaYakobi ukuba indoda ize kumfazi wayo emva kokuba engcolile.
6 Wahamba umfazi waya kuxelela abantakwabo, baza abantakwabo bafuna ukumbulala, waza wabaleka waya endlwini yakhe wasinda.
7 Ngomhla wesibini uMoses waphuma waya kubazalwana bakhe, wabona, nanko amadoda amabini exabana, wathi kongendawo, Yini na ukuba umbethe ummelwane wakho?
8 Waphendula wathi kuye: “Ngubani okumise ukuba ube yinkosi nomgwebi phezu kwethu? Ngaba ucinga ukundibulala nam njengoko umbulele umYiputa?” UMoses woyika waza wathi: “Ingaba le nto iyaziwa?”
9 UFaro weva ngale nto, waza wayalela ukuba uMoses abulawe, ngoko ke uThixo wathumela ingelosi yakhe, waza wabonakala kuFaro efana nomthetheli wabalindi.
10 Isithunywa sikaYehova sathabatha ikrele esandleni somphathi wabalindi, salisusa intloko yakhe, kuba umfanekiso womphathi wabalindi wawuguquka waba ngumfanekiso kaMoses.
11 Isithunywa sikaYehova sabamba isandla sokunene sikaMoses, samkhupha eYiputa, sammisa ngaphandle kwemida yaseYiputa, umgama weentsuku ezingamashumi amane.
12 Ke uAron umntakwabo wasala yedwa ezweni laseYiputa, waprofeta koonyana bakaSirayeli, esithi,
13 Utsho uYehova, uThixo wooyihlo, ukuthi, Lahlani elowo izinto ezinezothe zamehlo akhe, ningazenzi inqambi ngezithixo zaseYiputa.
14 Bavukela oonyana bakaSirayeli, abavuma ukumphulaphula uAron ngelo xesha.
15 UYehova wacinga ukubatshabalalisa, ukuba uYehova wayengawukhumbulanga umnqophiso awawenza noAbraham, uIsake noYakobi.
16 Ngaloo mihla isandla sikaFaro saqhubeka sinzima nxamnye noonyana bakaSirayeli, wabatyumza waza wabacinezela kwada kwafika ixesha lokuba uThixo athumele ilizwi lakhe aze abaqaphele.

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1 Kwaye ngaloo mihla kwabakho imfazwe enkulu phakathi kwabantwana bakwaKushi namadoda aseMpuma nama-Aram, baza bavukela ukumkani wakwaKushi ababesezandleni zakhe.
2 Ngoko ke ukumkani waseKushi uKikianus waphuma nabo bonke oonyana bakaKushi, abantu abaninzi njengentlabathi, waza waya kulwa nama-Aram nabantwana basempuma, ukuze abathobe.
3 Kwaye xa uKikianus waphumayo, washiya uBhileham isazi somlingo, kunye noonyana bakhe ababini, ukuba balinde isixeko, kunye nabantu abaphantsi kakhulu belizwe.
4 Ngoko ke uKikianus waya eAram nakubantu basempuma, walwa nabo waza wababulala, baza bonke bawa phantsi belimele phambi kukaKikianus nabantu bakhe.

5 Wathimba uninzi lwabo, wabathoba njengakuqala, waza wamisa iintente kwilizwe labo ukuze athathe irhafu kubo njengesiqhelo.
6 UBhileham unyana kaBhehore, xa ukumkani waseKushi wayemshiye ukuba alinde isixeko kunye namahlwempu esixeko, wasukuma waza wacebisa nabantu belizwe ukuba bavukele ukumkani uKikianus, ukuba bangamvumeli ukuba angene esixekweni xa efika ekhaya.
7 Abantu belizwe bamphulaphula, baza bafunga kuye, bamenza ukumkani phezu kwabo, noonyana bakhe ababini baba ziintloko zomkhosi.
8 Ngoko ke benyuka baza baphakamisa iindonga zesixeko kwiimbombo ezimbini, baza bakha isakhiwo esomeleleyo ngokugqithisileyo.
9 Kwaye kwikona yesithathu bemba imisele engenakubalwa, phakathi kwesixeko nomlambo owawujikeleze lonke ilizwe laseKushi, baza benza amanzi omlambo aphuma apho.
10 Kwikona yesine baqokelela iinyoka ezininzi ngemilingo yabo nangemilingo, baza baqinisa isixeko baza bahlala kuso, kwaye akukho mntu waphumayo okanye wangena phambi kwabo.
11 UKikianus walwa nama-Aram kunye nabantu basempuma waza waboyisa njengangaphambili, baza bamnika umrhumo wabo wesiqhelo, waza wahamba wabuyela kwilizwe lakhe.
12 Kwaye xa uKikianus ukumkani waseKushi wayesondela kwisixeko sakhe kunye nabo bonke abaphathi bemikhosi ababenaye, baphakamisa amehlo abo baza babona ukuba iindonga zesixeko zazakhiwe kwaye ziphakanyisiwe kakhulu, ngoko ke amadoda amangaliswa koku.
13 Bathi omnye komnye, Kungenxa yokuba bebone ukuba silibazisekile edabini, baza basoyika kakhulu, ngoko ke benze le nto, baphakamisa iindonga zesixeko, baziqinisa ukuze ookumkani baseKanan bangezi kulwa nabo.
14 Ngoko ukumkani namajoni basondela emnyango wesixeko, bakhangela phezulu, babona onke amasango esixeko evaliwe, baza bamemeza abalindi, besithi, Sivuleleni, ukuze singene esixekweni.
15 Kodwa abalindi bala ukubavulela ngokomyalelo kaBhileham isazi semilingo, ukumkani wabo, babavumela ukuba bangangeni esixekweni sabo.
16 Ngoko ke balwa nabo malunga nesango lesixeko, kwaye amadoda alikhulu elinamashumi amathathu omkhosi eKikianus awela ngaloo mini.
17 Kwaye ngemini elandelayo baqhubeka nokulwa baza balwa ecaleni komlambo; bazama ukuwela kodwa abazange bakwazi, ngoko ke abanye babo batshona emingxunyeni baza bafa.
18 Ngoko ukumkani wabayalela ukuba bagawule imithi ukuze benze izihlenga, apho babeza kudlula khona baye kubo, baza benza njalo.
19 Bakufika kwindawo yemisele, amanzi ajikeleza ngeengxondorha, kwaye amadoda angamakhulu amabini ahamba ngeenqanawa ezilishumi atshona.
20 Kwaye ngomhla wesithathu beza kulwa ecaleni apho iinyoka zazikhona, kodwa abazange bakwazi ukusondela apho, kuba iinyoka zabulala amadoda alikhulu elinamashumi asixhenxe kubo, kwaye bayeka ukulwa noKushi, baza bayingqinga iKushi iminyaka elithoba, akukho mntu waphumayo okanye wangena.
21 Ngelo xesha imfazwe noxilongo lwaluchasene noKushi, uMoses wabaleka eYiputa ebaleka uFaro owayefuna ukumbulala ngenxa yokubulala umYiputa.
22 UMoses wayeneminyaka elishumi elinesibhozo ubudala xa wayebaleka eYiputa ebusweni bukaFaro, waza wabaleka waza wabalekela kwinkampu kaKikianus, eyayirhangqe uKushi ngelo xesha.
23 UMoses wayekwinkampu kaKikianus ukumkani wakwaKushi iminyaka elithoba, lonke ixesha ababeyingqinga iKushi, waza uMoses waphuma waya nabo.
24 Ukumkani neenkosana nawo onke amadoda okulwa babemthanda uMoses, kuba wayemkhulu kwaye efanelekile, ubude bakhe babunjengengonyama ehloniphekileyo, ubuso bakhe babunjengelanga, namandla akhe ayenjengengonyama, kwaye wayengumcebisi wokumkani.
25 Kwaye ekupheleni kweminyaka elithoba, uKikianus wabanjwa sisifo esibulalayo, kwaye isifo sakhe samoyisa, waza wafa ngomhla wesixhenxe.
26 Ngoko abakhonzi bakhe bamqhola, bamthwala, bamngcwaba malunga nesango lesixeko emantla elizwe laseYiputa.
27 Bakha phezu kwakhe isakhiwo esihle nesiphakamileyo, baza babeka amatye amakhulu ngaphantsi.
28 Ababhali bokumkani babhala phezu kwaloo matye onke amandla okumkani wabo uKikianus, nazo zonke iimfazwe zakhe awayezilwile, khangelani zibhaliwe apho namhlanje.
29 Emva kokufa kukaKikianus ukumkani waseKushi, amadoda akhe nemikhosi yakhe baziva bebuhlungu kakhulu ngenxa yemfazwe.
30 Bathi omnye komnye, Sixeleleni ukuba masithini na ngeli xesha, kuba besihleli entlango iminyaka elithoba kude nemizi yethu.
31 Ukuba sithi siza kulwa nesixeko, uninzi lwethu luza kuwa zenzakele okanye lubulawe, kwaye ukuba sihlala apha ekungqingweni nathi siza kufa.
32 Kaloku bonke ookumkani base-Aram nabasempumalanga baya kuva ukuba ukumkani wethu ufile, basihlasele ngequbuliso ngendlela yokulwa, balwe nathi, bangashiyi namnye kuthi.
33 Ngoko ke masihambe siye kumisa ukumkani phezu kwethu, sihlale ekungqingweni, ude umzi unikelwe kuthi.
34 Kwaye babenqwenela ukukhetha ngaloo mini indoda ukuba ibe ngukumkani kumkhosi kaKikianus, kwaye abazange bafumane nto bayithandayo njengoMoses ukuba ilawule phezu kwabo.
35 Bakhawuleza, bahluba elowo iingubo zakhe, baziphosa emhlabeni, benza imfumba enkulu, bambeka uMoses phezu kwayo.
36 Basukuma bavuthela amaxilongo, bamemeza phambi kwakhe, bathi, Makaphile ukumkani, makaphile ukumkani!
37 Bonke abantu nezikhulu bafunga kuye ukuba baza kumnika umfazi uAdoniya ukumkanikazi, umKushi, umfazi kaKikianus, baza bamenza uMoses ukumkani phezu kwabo ngaloo mini.
38 Bonke abantu baseKushi bakhupha isimemezelo ngaloo mini, besithi, Wonke umntu makanike uMoses into ethile kwizinto zakhe.

39 Baza bandlala ilaphu phezu kwemfumba, baza bonke baphosa kulo into ababenayo, omnye ijikazi legolide, omnye ingqekembe.
40 Oonyana bakaKushi baphosa amatye e-onikis, ibhedolaki, iiperile, nemarble kuMoses phezu kwemfumba, kunye nesilivere negolide eninzi kakhulu.
41 UMoses wayithabatha yonke isilivere negolide, zonke iimpahla, namatye ebhedolaki neoniki, awayenikwe ngabantwana bonke bakwaKushi, wawabeka ebuncwaneni bakhe.
42 UMoses walawula phezu kwabantwana bakaKushi ngaloo mini, endaweni kaKikianus ukumkani wakwaKushi.

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1 Ngomnyaka wamashumi amahlanu anesihlanu wobukumkani bukaFaro, ukumkani waseYiputa, ngomnyaka wekhulu elinamanci mahlanu anesixhenxe wokwehla kwamaSirayeli eYiputa, uMoses waba ngukumkani kwaKushi.
2 UMoses wayeneminyaka engamashumi amabini anesixhenxe ubudala xa waqala ukulawula uKushi, waza walawula iminyaka engamashumi amane.
3 UYehova wamnika uMoses ubabalo nenceba emehlweni abo bonke oonyana bakaKushi, baza oonyana bakaKushi bamthanda kakhulu, kangangokuba uMoses wathandwa nguYehova nangabantu.
4 Kwathi ngomhla wesixhenxe wolawulo lwakhe, bonke oonyana bakaKushi bahlanganisana, beza phambi koMoses, baqubuda kuye emhlabeni.
5 Bonke abantwana bathetha kunye phambi kokumkani, besithi, Sinike icebo, ukuze sibone ukuba kuza kwenziwa ntoni na kulo mzi.
6 Kuba ngoku sekuyiminyaka esithoba siwungqingile umzi, singababonanga abantwana bethu nabafazi bethu.
7 Waphendula ukumkani, wathi, Ukuba nithe naliphulaphula ilizwi lam kuyo yonke into endiniwisela umthetho ngayo, uYehova wowunikela umzi esandleni sethu, siwuthobe.
8 Kuba ukuba silwa nabo njengakwidabi langaphambili esasinalo nabo ngaphambi kokufa kukaKikianus, uninzi lwethu luya kuwa phantsi senzakele njengangaphambili.
9 Ngoko ke nali icebiso kuni ngale nto: ukuba niya kuliphulaphula ilizwi lam, isixeko siya kunikelwa ezandleni zethu.
10 Aphendula onke amabutho kukumkani, athi, Konke inkosi yethu esiyalele kona siya kukwenza.
11 Wathi uMoses kubo, Dlulani, nivakalise ilizwi eminqubeni yonke ebantwini bonke, nisithi,
12 Utsho ukumkani ukuthi, Yiyani ehlathini, nize nithabathe amathole engwamza, elowo ephethe ithole esandleni sakhe.
13 Nabani na ongawuthobeliyo umyalelo wokumkani, ongawuzisiyo umntwana wakhe, uya kufa, ukumkani athabathe konke okungokwakhe.
14 Kwaye xa uza kuzizisa ziya kuba selugcinweni lwakho, uza kuzikhulisa zide zikhule, kwaye uza kuzifundisa ukutyibiliza, njengoko kunjalo ngamathole eentaka.
15 Bonke oonyana bakaKushi beva amazwi kaMoses, besuka, bahambisa ilizwi enkampini, besithi,
16 Kuni nonke bantwana bakwaKushi, ukumkani uyalela ukuba niye ehlathini, nibambe apho iinkonyana zegwababa, nganye ithole layo esandleni sayo, nize nizizise ekhaya.
17 Nabani na ophula umyalelo wokumkani uya kufa, aze ukumkani athathe konke okungokwakhe.
18 Bonke abantu benza njalo, baza baphuma baya ehlathini baza bakhwela imithi yemisipresi baza babamba, ngamnye ephethe intshontsho esandleni sakhe, onke amantshontsho eengwamza, baza bawazisa entlango baza bawakhulisa ngokomyalelo wokumkani, baza bawafundisa ukutsiba, njengookhetshe abancinci.
19 Emva kokuba iingwamza zikhuliswe, ukumkani wayalela ukuba zilambe iintsuku ezintathu, bonke abantu benjenjalo.
20 Ngomhla wesithathu, ukumkani wathi kubo, Yomelelani nibe ngamadoda anamandla, ninxibe elowo isikrweqe sakhe nibophe ikrele lakhe phezu kwakhe, nikhwele elowo ihashe lakhe nize nithabathe elowo intshontsho yakhe esandleni sakhe.
21 Kwaye siza kuvuka size silwe nesixeko kwindawo apho kukho iinyoka khona; kwaye bonke abantu benza njengoko ukumkani wayeyalele.
22 Bathabatha ngamnye umntwana wakhe esandleni sakhe, baza bemka, baza bakufika kwindawo yeenyoka ukumkani wathi kubo, Yithumeleni ngamnye umntwana wakhe wengwamza phezu kweenyoka.
23 Bathumela nganye intshontsho layo ngokomyalelo wokumkani, kwaye intshontsho leentshontsho labaleka laya kwiinyoka laza lazidla zonke laza lazitshabalalisa kuloo ndawo.
24 Kwaye xa ukumkani nabantu bebona ukuba zonke iinyoka zitshatyalalisiwe kuloo ndawo, bonke abantu baphakamisa ilizwi elikhulu.
25 Basondela, balwa nesixeko, basithimba, basithimba, bangena kuso.
26 Kwafa ngaloo mini amadoda aliwaka elinekhulu ebantwini bomzi, bonke ababemi kuwo umzi; kodwa akwafa namnye ebantwini ababewungqingile.
27 Bonke oonyana bakaKushi babuyela elowo endlwini yakhe, kumkakhe, nakubantwana bakhe, nakubo bonke ababenaye.
28 UBhileham, isazinzulu, akubona ukuba umzi uthinjiwe, wavula isango, wabaleka, yena noonyana bakhe ababini nabazalwana bakhe abasibhozo, babuyela eYiputa kuFaro ukumkani waseYiputa.
29 Ngabo abakhafuli nabakhafuli abakhankanyiweyo kwincwadi yomthetho, bema nxamnye noMoses xa uYehova wazisa izibetho phezu kweYiputa.
30 Ngoko uMoses wasithimba isixeko ngobulumko bakhe, baza abantwana bakaKushi bambeka etroneni esikhundleni sikaKikianus ukumkani wakwaKushi.
31 Bambeka isithsaba sobukumkani entlokweni yakhe, baza bamnika uAdoniya ukumkanikazi ongumKushi, umfazi kaKikianus, ukuba abe ngumfazi wakhe.
32 UMoses wayemoyika uYehova, uThixo wooyise, akasondelanga kuye, akajonganga namehlo akhe kuye.
33 Kuba uMoses wakhumbula indlela uAbraham awamfungisa ngayo umkhonzi wakhe uEliyezere, esithi kuye, Uze ungamthathi umfazi kwiintombi zakwaKanan unyana wam uIsake.

34 Kwakhona oko uIsake wakwenzayo xa uYakobi wayebaleka umntakwabo, xa wayemyalele, esithi, Uze ungathabathi mfazi kwiintombi zakwaKanan, ungadibani nabantwana bakaHam.
35 Kuba iNkosi uThixo wethu wanika uHam unyana kaNowa, nabantwana bakhe, nayo yonke imbewu yakhe, njengamakhoboka kubantwana bakaShem nakubantwana bakaYafete, nakwimbewu yabo emva kwabo ukuba ibe ngamakhoboka ngonaphakade.
36 Ngenxa yoko uMoses akazange ajike intliziyo yakhe namehlo akhe kumfazi kaKikianus yonke imihla awayelawula ngayo uKushi.
37 UMoses wayemoyika uYehova uThixo wakhe yonke imihla yakhe, uMoses wahamba phambi koYehova ngenyaniso, ngentliziyo yakhe yonke nangomphefumlo wakhe wonke; akatyekanga endleleni ethe tye yonke imihla yobomi bakhe; akatyekanga endleleni, waya ngasekunene nasekhohlo, ababehamba kuyo uAbraham, uIsake noYakobi.
38 UMoses waziqinisa ebukumkanini babantwana bakwaKushi, waza wabakhokela abantwana bakwaKushi ngobulumko bakhe obuqhelekileyo, waza uMoses waphumelela ebukumkanini bakhe.
39 Ngelo xesha ama-Aram kunye nabantu baseMpuma beva ukuba ukumkani waseKushi uKikianus ufile, ngoko ama-Aram kunye nabantu baseMpuma bavukela amaKushi ngaloo mihla.
40 UMoses wahlanganisa bonke oonyana bakaKushi, abantu abanamandla kakhulu, malunga namashumi amathathu amawaka amadoda, waphuma waya kulwa nama-Aram noonyana basempumalanga.
41 Baqala baya kubantwana basempuma, baza xa abantwana basempuma beva ingxelo yabo, baya kubahlangabeza, baza balwa nabo.
42 Imfazwe yayinzima nxamnye nabemi baseMpuma, ngoko uYehova wabanikela bonke abantu baseMpuma esandleni sikaMoses, kwaza kwawa amadoda amalunga namakhulu amathathu abuleweyo.
43 Bajika bonke abantu basempuma, babuya umva; uMoses noonyana bakaKushi babalandela, babathoba, babamisela irhafu ngokwesiko labo.
44 Wesuka ke uMoses nabantu bonke ababenaye, baya emfazweni ezweni lakwa-Aram;
45 Baphuma ke abantu bakwa-Aram baya kubahlangabeza, balwa nabo; uYehova wabanikela esandleni sikaMoses; kwawa amadoda amaninzi kwa-Aram abuleweyo.
46 Ama-Aram nawo oyiswa nguMoses nabantu baseKushi, kwaye anikela nerhafu yawo eqhelekileyo.
47 UMoses wawathomalalisa ama-Aram kunye nama-mpuma phantsi koonyana bakaKushi, waza uMoses nabo bonke abantu ababenaye babuyela ezweni lakwaKushi.
48 UMoses waziqinisa ebukumkanini babantwana bakwaKushi, uYehova wayenaye, bonke abantwana bakwaKushi bamoyika.

ISAHLUKO 74

1 Ekupheleni kweminyaka wafa uSawule ukumkani wakwaEdom; uBhahali-hanan, unyana ka-Akebhore, waba ngukumkani esikhundleni sakhe.
2 Ngomnyaka weshumi elinesithandathu wokulawula kukaMoses phezu kukaKushi, uBhahali-hanan, unyana ka-Akebhore, waba ngukumkani ezweni lakwaEdom phezu kwabo bonke oonyana bakwaEdom iminyaka emashumi mathathu anesibhozo.
3 Ngemihla yakhe uMowabhi wavukela isandla samaEdom, ebephantsi kwamaEdom kususela kwimihla kaHadadi unyana kaBhedadi, owawaxabelayo namaMidiyan, wawathobela amaMowabhi phantsi kwamaEdom.
4 Kwathi, xa uBhahali-hanan, unyana ka-Akebhore, waba ngukumkani phezu kwamaEdom, bonke oonyana bakaMowabhi basuka balandela uEdom.
5 U-Angeas ukumkani wase-Afrika wafa ngaloo mihla, waza unyana wakhe u-Azdrubal walawula esikhundleni sakhe.
6 Ngaloo mihla wafa uJaneya ukumkani wabantwana baseKitim, bamngcwaba etempileni yakhe awayezakhele yona ethafeni laseCanopia ukuze abe yindlu yokuhlala, waza uLatinus walawula esikhundleni sakhe.
7 Ngomnyaka wamashumi amabini anesibini wolawulo lukaMoses phezu kwabantwana bakwaKushi, uLatinus walawula phezu kwabantwana bakwaKitim iminyaka engamashumi amane anesihlanu.
8 Wazakhela nenqaba enkulu neyomeleleyo, waza wakha kuyo itempile entle yokuhlala kwakhe, ukuze aqhube ulawulo lwakhe, njengoko kwakusisiqhelo.
9 Ngomnyaka wesithathu wolawulo lwakhe wathumela isaziso kubo bonke abantu bakhe abaziingcali, abamenzela iinqanawa ezininzi.
10 ULatinus wahlanganisa yonke imikhosi yakhe, baza beza ngeenqanawa, baya kulwa no-Azdrubal unyana ka-Angeas ukumkani wase-Afrika, baza bafika e-Afrika baza balwa no-Azdrubal nomkhosi wakhe.
11 ULatinus woyisa uAzdrubal, waza uLatinus wathabatha kuAzdrubal umsele wamanzi owawuziswe nguyise kubantwana baseKitim, xa wathabatha uJaniya intombi kaUzi ukuba abe ngumfazi, ngoko uLatinus wabhukuqa ibhulorho yomsele wamanzi, waza wabulala wonke umkhosi waseAzdrubal ngokubetha okukhulu.
12 Amadoda aseleyo anamandla ase-Azdrubal aqina, iintliziyo zawo zazaliswa ngumona, aza afuna ukufa, aza alwa kwakhona nokumkani waseKitim, uLatinus.
13 Kwaye idabi lalinzima kuwo onke amadoda aseAfrika, baza bonke bawa belimele phambi koLatinus nabantu bakhe, nokumkani uAzdrubal naye wawa kuloo dabi.
14 Ukumkani uAzdrubal wayenentombi entle kakhulu, egama linguUshpezena, kwaye onke amadoda aseAfrika ayeyihombisa imbonakalo yayo kwiingubo zawo, ngenxa yobuhle bayo obukhulu kunye nokubonakala kwayo okuhle.
15 Amadoda aseLatinus ambona u-Ushpezena, intombi ka-Azdrubal, amdumisa kukumkani wawo uLatinus.
16 ULatinus wayalela ukuba aziswe kuye, waza uLatinus wathabatha u-Ushpezena njengomfazi, waza wajika waya eKitim.
17 Kwaye kwakusemva kokufa kuka-Azdrubal unyana ka-Angeas, xa uLatinus wayebuyele kwilizwe lakhe evela edabini, bonke abemi baseAfrika basukuma baza bathabatha uAnibal unyana ka-Angeas, umninawa ka-Azdrubal omncinci, bamenza ukumkani endaweni yomntakwabo phezu kwalo lonke ilizwe laseAfrika.

18 Akuba elawula, wazimisela ukuya eKitim ukuya kulwa nabantwana baseKitim, ukuze aphindezele isizathu sika-Azdrubal umntakwabo, nesizathu sabemi baseAfrika, waza wenza njalo.
19 Wenza iinqanawa ezininzi, wafika apho nomkhosi wakhe wonke, waya eKitim.
20 Ngoko ke uAnibhali walwa nabantwana baseKitim, baza abantwana baseKitim bawa belimele phambi kukaAnibhali nomkhosi wakhe, waza uAnibhali waphindezela ityala lomntakwabo.
21 UAnibhali waqhubeka nemfazwe iminyaka elishumi elinesibhozo nabantwana baseKitim, waza uAnibhali wahlala kwilizwe laseKitim waza wamisa iintente apho ixesha elide.
22 UAnibhali wababulala kakhulu oonyana bakaKitim, wabulala amadoda amakhulu neenkosana zabo, waza wabulala amadoda angamashumi asibhozo amawaka.
23 Ekupheleni kweentsuku neminyaka, uAnibal wabuyela kwilizwe lakhe laseAfrika, waza walawula ngokukhuselekileyo endaweni ka-Azdrubal umntakwabo.

ISAHLUKO 75

1 Kwathi ngelo xesha, ngomnyaka wekhulu elinamanci asibhozo oonyana bakaSirayeli behla baya eYiputa, kwaphuma eYiputa amadoda anobukroti, amawaka angamashumi amathathu eenyawo, koonyana bakaSirayeli, bonke besizwe sakwaYosefu, koonyana bakaEfrayim unyana kaYosefu.
2 Kuba bathi ixesha elimiselweyo yiNkosi kubantwana bakaSirayeli kumaxesha amandulo, elo yayilithethile kuAbraham ligqityiwe.
3 La madoda azibopha, elowo wabeka ikrele lakhe ethangeni lakhe, elowo wabeka isikrweqe sakhe phezu kwakhe, athembela emandleni awo, aza aphuma kunye eYiputa ngesandla esinamandla.
4 Kodwa abazange bazise mphako wendlela, ngaphandle kwesilivere negolide, kwaye akukho sonka saloo mini ababesiphethe, kuba babecinga ukufumana umphako wabo kumaFilisti, kwaye ukuba akunjalo babeza kuwuthatha ngenkani.
5 La madoda ayenamandla kakhulu kwaye engamadoda anobukroti, indoda enye yayinokusukela iwaka, kwaye amabini ayenokugxotha ishumi lamawaka, ngoko ke athembela kumandla awo aza ahamba kunye njengoko ayenjalo.
6 Bajika indlela yabo baya kwilizwe laseGati, baza behla baza bafumana abelusi baseGati besalusa iinkomo zabantwana baseGati.
7 Bathi kubalusi, Sinikeni ezinye zeegusha ukuze sidle, kuba silambile, kuba asidlanga sonka namhlanje.
8 Baza abalusi bathi: “Ngaba ziigusha okanye ziinkomo zethu ukuba sizinike nina ukuze sizihlawule?” Ngoko oonyana bakaEfrayim basondela ukuze bazibambe ngenkani.
9 Abalusi baseGati babakhwaza kangangokuba isikhalo sabo savakala kude, ngoko bonke oonyana baseGati baphuma baya kubo.
10 Bakubona oonyana bakaGati ububi boonyana bakaEfrayim, babuya bahlanganisa amadoda aseGati, banxiba elowo isikrweqe sakhe, baphuma baya kulwa noonyana bakaEfrayim.
11 Balwa nabo entlanjeni yaseGati, imfazwe yaba nzima, babulalana abantu abaninzi ngaloo mini.
12 Ngomhla wesibini oonyana baseGati bathumela kuyo yonke imizi yamaFilisti ukuba ize kunceda, besithi,
13 Nyukani nize kuthi nisincede, sibabulale oonyana bakaEfrayim abaphume eYiputa, beze kuthimba imfuyo yethu, balwe nathi ngaphandle kwesizathu.
14 Ke kaloku umphefumlo woonyana bakaEfrayim wawudiniwe yindlala nonxano, kuba babengatyanga sonka kangangeentsuku ezintathu. Kwaphuma amadoda angamashumi amane amawaka emizini yamaFilisti ukuya kunceda amadoda aseGati.
15 La madoda alwa namaEfrayim, waza uYehova wabanikela oonyana bakaEfrayim esandleni samaFilisti.
16 Babulala bonke oonyana bakaEfrayim, bonke ababephume eYiputa; akwasala namnye kubo, yaba ngamadoda alishumi kuphela awabalekayo.
17 Kuba obu bubi buvela kuYehova koonyana bakaEfrayim, kuba bawaphula umthetho kaYehova ekuphumeni kwabo eYiputa, ngaphambi kokuba kufike ixesha uYehova awalimiselayo amaSirayeli ngemihla yakudala.
18 Kwawa namaFilisti amaninzi kakhulu, amadoda amalunga namawaka angamashumi amabini; abazalwana bawo bawathwala, bawangcwaba emizini yawo.
19 Ababuleweyo boonyana bakaEfrayim basala beshiywe entlanjeni yaseGati kangangeentsuku ezininzi neminyaka emininzi, kwaye abazange bangcwatywe, kwaye intlambo yayizaliswe ngamathambo abantu.
20 Amadoda awayesindile edabini afika eYiputa, abalisa bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli konke okubehleleyo.
21 UEfrayim uyise walila imihla emininzi, baza abazalwana bakhe beza kumthuthuzela.
22 Waya kumfazi wakhe, wazala unyana, wamthiya igama elinguBheriya, kuba wayelihlwempu endlwini yakhe.

ISAHLUKO 76

1 Kwaye uMoses unyana ka-Amram wayesengukumkani kwilizwe laseKushi ngaloo mihla, waza waphumelela ebukumkanini bakhe, waza wakhokela ulawulo lwabantwana baseKushi ngobulungisa, ngobulungisa, nangokusesikweni.
2 Bonke oonyana bakaKushi babemthanda uMoses yonke imihla awalawula ngayo phezu kwabo, yaye bonke abemi belizwe lakwaKushi babemoyika kakhulu.
3 Ngomnyaka wamashumi amane wolawulo lukaMoses phezu kukaKushi, uMoses wayehleli etroneni yobukumkani, uAdoniya ukumkanikazi ephambi kwakhe, nazo zonke izikhulu zihleli zimngqongile.
4 Wathi uAdoniya ukumkanikazi phambi kokumkani nabathetheli, Yintoni na le nto niyenzileyo nina nyana bakwaKushi, ixesha elide kangaka?
5 Ngokuqinisekileyo uyazi ukuba kangangeminyaka engamashumi amane lo mntu elawula uKushi akasondelanga kum, kwaye akakhonzanga oothixo babantwana bakwaKushi.

6 Yivani ke ngoko, bantwana bakwaKushi, kwaye lo mntu makangabi salawula phezu kwenu njengoko engengowenyama yethu.
7 Khangelani, unyana wam uMenakrus ukhulile, makabe ngukumkani phezu kwenu, kuba kulungile ukuba nikhonze unyana wenkosi yenu, kunokukhonza umphambukeli, ikhoboka lokumkani waseYiputa.
8 Bonke abantu nezikhulu zoonyana bakaKushi beva amazwi awayethethwe nguAdoniya ukumkanikazi ezindlebeni zabo.
9 Bonke abantu balungiselela kwada kwahlwa, baza bavuka kusasa baza bamisela uMenacrus, unyana kaKikianus, ukumkani phezu kwabo.
10 Bonke abantwana bakwaKushi boyika ukolula isandla sabo nxamnye noMoses, kuba iNkosi yayinoMoses, kwaye abantwana bakwaKushi basikhumbula isifungo abasifunga kuMoses, ngoko ke abazange bamenze nto imbi.
11 Kodwa oonyana bakaKushi bamnika uMoses izipho ezininzi, bamthumela kubo ngembeko enkulu.
12 Ngoko uMoses waphuma kwilizwe laseKushi, wabuyela ekhaya waza wayeka ukubusa phezu kukaKushi, kwaye uMoses wayeneminyaka engamashumi amathandathu anesithandathu ubudala xa waphuma kwilizwe laseKushi, kuba le nto yayivela kuYehova, kuba ixesha lalifikile awayelimisele ngemihla yakudala, ukukhupha uSirayeli ekubandezelweni koonyana bakaHam.
13 Ngoko uMoses waya kwaMidiyan, kuba wayesoyika ukubuyela eYiputa ngenxa kaFaro, waza waya kuhlala phantsi ngasemthonjeni wamanzi kwaMidiyan.
14 Zaphuma iintombi ezisixhenxe zikaRehuweli umMidiyan, zaya kwalusa umhlambi kayise.
15 Bafika equleni, bakha amanzi, ukuze basele umhlambi kayise.
16 Bafika abalusi bakwaMidiyan, babagxotha; wesuka uMoses, wabanceda, wayiseza impahla emfutshane.
17 Bafika ekhaya kuyise uRehuweli, bamxelela oko uMoses wayebenzele kona.
18 Bathi, Indoda engumYiputa isihlangule esandleni sabalusi; isikhelele amanzi, yayiseza impahla emfutshane.
19 Wathi uRehuweli kwiintombi zakhe, Uphi na yena? Nimshiyeleni na loo mntu?
20 URehuweli wathumela ukuba ambize, wamzisa ekhaya, waza wadla isonka naye.
21 UMoses waxelela uRehuweli ukuba wayebalekile eYiputa nokuba walawula iminyaka engamashumi amane phezu kukaKushi, nokuba emva koko bamthabatha urhulumente kuye, baza bamndulula ngoxolo enembeko nezipho.
22 Akuba uRehuweli evile amazwi kaMoses, uRehuweli wathi ngaphakathi kuye, Ndiza kuyifaka le ndoda entolongweni, apho ndiza kuxolelanisa abantwana bakaKushi, kuba ibalekile kubo.
23 Bamthabatha bamfaka entolongweni, uMoses wahlala entolongweni iminyaka elishumi, kwaye ngelixa uMoses wayesejele, uTsipora, intombi kaRehuweli, wayesiba nemfesane ngaye, waza wamxhasa ngesonka namanzi ngamaxesha onke.
24 Bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli babesesezweni laseYiputa bekhonza amaYiputa ngayo yonke imisebenzi enzima; isandla samaYiputa saqhubeka sinzima phezu kwamaSirayeli ngaloo mihla.
25 Ngelo xesha uYehova wambetha uFaro ukumkani waseYiputa, wambetha ngesibetho seqhenqa, wathabathela entendeni yonyawo lwakhe, wesa entloko yakhe; ngenxa yokuphathwa kakubi koonyana bakaSirayeli, eso sibetho sabakho ngelo xesha sivela kuYehova kuFaro ukumkani waseYiputa.
26 Ngokuba uYehova wayewuvile umthandazo wabantu bakhe, oonyana bakaSirayeli, nokukhala kwabo kwafika kuye ngenxa yomsebenzi wabo onzima.
27 Umsindo wakhe awuzange ubuye kubo, yaye isandla sikaFaro sasisasoluliwe nxamnye noonyana bakaSirayeli, waza uFaro wayenza lukhuni intamo yakhe phambi koYehova, waza wayenza krakra idyokhwe yakhe phezu kwabantwana bakaSirayeli, wabenza krakra ubomi babo ngazo zonke iintlobo zomsebenzi onzima.
28 Kwathi, akuba uYehova ebethe uFaro ukumkani waseYiputa ngesibetho, wacela izilumko zakhe nabakhafuli ukuba bamphilise.
29 Zathi kuye izilumko zakhe nabakhafuli, Ukuba igazi labantwana abancinci belifakwa emanxebeni, ebeya kuphiliswa.
30 UFaro wabaphulaphula, wathumela abakhonzi bakhe eGoshen koonyana bakaSirayeli ukuba baye kuthatha abantwana babo.
31 Babesiya abakhonzi bakaFaro, babathabathe abantwana bakwaSirayeli esifubeni soonina, babazise kuFaro imihla ngemihla, umntwana ngamnye imihla ngemihla; oogqirha bababulala, bababethelela esibethweni; benjenjalo imihla yonke.
32 Inani labantwana ababulawa nguFaro lalingamakhulu amathathu anamashumi asixhenxe anesihlanu.
33 UYehova akabaphulaphulanga oogqirha bokumkani waseYiputa; saza isibetho sanda ngamandla.
34 UFaro wayehlutshwa seso sibetho iminyaka elishumi, intliziyo kaFaro yayisilukhuni ngakumbi nxamnye nabantwana bakwaSirayeli.
35 Ekupheleni kweminyaka elishumi uYehova waqhubeka embetha uFaro ngezibetho ezitshabalalisayo.
36 UYehova wambetha ngethumba elibi nesifo esiswini, eso sibetho sajika saba lithumba elibi kakhulu.
37 Ngelo xesha, abaphathiswa ababini bakaFaro bafika bevela kwilizwe laseGoshen apho bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli babekho, baya endlwini kaFaro bathi kuye, Sibabonile oonyana bakaSirayeli bengasebenzi kakuhle, bengasebenzi kakuhle.
38 Wathi uFaro akuweva amazwi abalungiseleli bakhe, wavutha umsindo wakhe kunene nxamnye noonyana bakaSirayeli, kuba wayebuhlungu kakhulu ngenxa yentlungu yakhe yomzimba.
39 Waphendula wathi, Ekubeni oonyana bakaSirayeli besazi ukuba ndiyagula, bayajika basigculele, ngoko ke ndibophe inqwelo yam yokulwa, ndize ndizikhaphele eGoshen, ndibone ukugculelwa kwabantwana bakaSirayeli, abandigculela ngako; abakhonzi bakhe bamxhobisela inqwelo yokulwa.
40 Bamthabatha bamkhwelisa ehasheni, kuba wayengenakukwazi ukukhwela ngokwakhe;
41 Wathabatha abamahashe abalishumi, nabamahashe abalishumi, waya eGoshen koonyana bakaSirayeli.
42 Bakufika kumda waseYiputa, ihashe lokumkani ladlula kwindawo emxinwa, liphakanyisiwe kwindawo

evulekileyo yesidiliya, libiyelwe macala omabini, ilizwe elisezantsi, elithafayo likwelinye icala.
43 Amahashe abaleka ngokukhawuleza kuloo ndawo, etyhalana, amanye amahashe etyhalana nehashe lokumkani.
44 Ihashe lokumkani lawela entlanjeni ngelixa ukumkani wayekhwele kulo, kwaye xa wawa inqwelo yokulwa yajika phezu kobuso bokumkani kwaye ihashe lalala phezu kokumkani, waza ukumkani wakhala, kuba inyama yakhe yayibuhlungu kakhulu.
45 Inyama yokumkani yakrazulwa kuye, amathambo akhe aphuka, akaba nako ukukhwela, kuba le nto yayivela kuYehova, kuba uYehova wayevile ukukhala kwabantu bakhe, oonyana bakaSirayeli, nokubandezeleka kwabo.
46 Abakhonzi bakhe bamthwala emagxeni abo, kancinci kancinci, bambuyisela eYiputa; nabamahashe ababenaye babuyela eYiputa.
47 Bambeka ebhedini yakhe, waza ukumkani wazi ukuba isiphelo sakhe sifikile ekufeni, ngoko ke uAparaniti ukumkanikazi umfazi wakhe weza waza wakhala phambi kokumkani, waza ukumkani walila kakhulu kunye naye.
48 Kwaye bonke abathetheli bakhe nabakhonzi bakhe beza ngaloo mini baza bambona ukumkani ekuloo ntlungu, baza balila kakhulu kunye naye.
49 Iinkosana zokumkani nabo bonke abacebisi bakhe bacebisa ukumkani ukuba abeke omnye esikhundleni sakhe elizweni, nabani na amkhethayo koonyana bakhe.
50 Ukumkani wayenoonyana abathathu neentombi ezimbini, awamzalela zona uAparaniti, ukumkanikazi, umfazi wakhe, ngaphandle koonyana bokumkani bamashweshwe.
51 Kwaye la ngamagama abo: owamazibulo uOtri, owesibini uAdikam, nowesithathu uMorion, kunye noodade babo, igama lomkhulu uBhathiya kunye nomnye uAcuzi.
52 Kwaye uOtri, izibulo lokumkani, wayesisidenge, engumntu okhawulezayo ukuthetha.
53 Kodwa uAdikam wayeyindoda enobuqili nelumkileyo, enolwazi ngobulumko bonke baseYiputa, kodwa wayenembonakalo engathandekiyo, enomzimba omkhulu, kwaye emfutshane kakhulu; ubude bakhe babuyikubhite enye.
54 Waza ukumkani akubona uAdikam unyana wakhe ekrelekrele kwaye elumkile kuzo zonke izinto, ukumkani wagqiba kwelokuba abe ngukumkani esikhundleni sakhe emva kokufa kwakhe.
55 Wamzeka umfazi uGeduda intombi ka-Abhilot, eneminyaka elishumi ubudala, wamzalela oonyana abane.
56 Emva koko wahamba waza wathabatha abafazi abathathu waza wazala oonyana abasibhozo neentombi ezintathu.
57 Isiphithiphithi samoyisa ukumkani, yaza inyama yakhe yanuka njengenyama yesidumbu esilahlwe endle ngexesha lasehlotyeni, xa ilanga lishushu.
58 Akubona ukumkani ukuba ukugula kwakhe kuye kwamongamela kakhulu, wayalela ukuba unyana wakhe uAdikam aziswe kuye, baza bamenza ukumkani welizwe endaweni yakhe.
59 Ekupheleni kweminyaka emithathu, ukumkani wafa, eneentloni, ehlazekile, kwaye edanile, kwaye abakhonzi bakhe bamthwala bamngcwaba engcwabeni lookumkani baseYiputa eTsohan Mizraim.
60 Kodwa abamqholisanga ngokwesiqhelo kookumkani, kuba inyama yakhe yayibolile, kwaye babengenakukwazi ukusondela ukuze bamqhole ngenxa yevumba layo, ngoko bamngcwaba ngokukhawuleza.
61 Kuba obu bubi buvela kuYehova kuye, kuba uYehova wayembuyisele ububi ngenxa yobubi awabenzayo ngemihla yakhe kuSirayeli.
62 Waza wafa enoloyiko nentloni, waza unyana wakhe uAdikam walawula endaweni yakhe.

ISAHLUKO 77

1 UAdikam wayeneminyaka engamashumi amabini ubudala ekubuseni kwakhe eYiputa, walawula iminyaka emine.
2 Ngomnyaka wamakhulu amabini anesithandathu wehla uSirayeli eYiputa uAdikam walawula phezu kweYiputa, kodwa wahlala ixesha elide ebukumkanini bakhe phezu kweYiputa njengoko ooyise baqhubeka nolawulo lwabo.
3 UMeloli uyise walawula iminyaka engamashumi asithoba anesine eYiputa, kodwa wagula iminyaka elishumi waza wafa, kuba wayengendawo phambi koYehova.
4 Onke amaYiputa alibiza igama lika-Adikam uFaro ngokwegama looyise, njengoko babesenza eYiputa.
5 Kwaye onke amadoda alumkileyo kaFaro abiza igama elithi Adikam Ahuz, kuba lifutshane libizwa ngokuba nguAhuz ngolwimi lwaseYiputa.
6 Kwaye uAdikam wayembi kakhulu, kwaye wayekubhite enye nomolulo weminwe kwaye wayeneendevu ezinkulu ezazifikelela ezintendeni zeenyawo zakhe.
7 UFaro wahlala etroneni kayise ukuze alawule iYiputa, waza walawula ulawulo lwaseYiputa ngobulumko bakhe.
8 Kwaye ngelixa wayelawula wadlula uyise nabo bonke ookumkani bangaphambili ebubini, waza wandisa idyokhwe yakhe phezu kwabantwana bakaSirayeli.
9 Wahamba nabakhonzi bakhe baya eGoshen koonyana bakaSirayeli, wabaqinisa umsebenzi phezu kwabo, wathi kubo, Wugqibezeleni umsebenzi wenu, umsebenzi wemihla ngemihla, izandla zenu zingayeki emsebenzini wethu ukususela namhlanje njengoko benisenza ngemihla kabawo.
10 Wabeka abathetheli phezu kwabo phakathi koonyana bakaSirayeli, waza phezu kwabo wabamisela abathetheli phakathi kwabakhonzi bakhe.
11 Wabeka phezu kwabo isikali sezitena ukuze bazenze ngokwelo nani, imihla ngemihla, waza wajika waya eYiputa.
12 Ngelo xesha abaphathi bakaFaro babawisela umthetho abaphathi boonyana bakaSirayeli ngokomyalelo kaFaro, besithi,
13 Utsho uFaro ukuthi, Yenzani umsebenzi wenu wemihla ngemihla, niwugqibe umsebenzi wenu, nigcine umlinganiselo wezitena wemihla ngemihla; ninganciphisi nto.
14 Kwaye kuya kwenzeka ukuba ukuba aninazo izitena zenu zemihla ngemihla, ndiya kubeka abantwana benu abancinci endaweni yabo.
15 Abaphathi bomsebenzi baseYiputa benjenjalo ngaloo mihla, njengoko uFaro wayebayalele.

16 Nanini na xa kufumaneka nayiphi na intswelo kumlinganiselo wabantwana bakaSirayeli wezitena zabo zemihla ngemihla, abaphathi bakaFaro babesiya kubafazi babantwana bakaSirayeli baze bathabathe iintsana zabantwana bakwaSirayeli ukuya kwinani lezitena ezinqongopheleyo, babezithabatha ngenkani emadolweni oomama bazo, bazibeke esakhiweni endaweni yezitena;
17 Ngelixa ooyise noonina babekhala phezu kwabo belila xa beva amazwi eentsana zabo ezikhala eludongeni lwesakhiwo.
18 Abaphathi bomsebenzi bawoyisa amaSirayeli, kangangokuba amaSirayeli abeka abantwana bawo esakhiweni, kangangokuba indoda yabeka unyana wayo eludongeni yaza yambeka udaka phezu kwakhe, ngoxa amehlo ayo ayemlilela, iinyembezi zayo zazehlela kumntwana wayo.
19 Abaphathi baseYiputa benza njalo kubantwana bakwaSirayeli imihla emininzi, akukho mntu waba nenceba okanye waba novelwano ngabantwana bakwaSirayeli.
20 Kwaye inani labo bonke abantwana ababulawa kwisakhiwo yayingamakhulu amabini anamashumi asixhenxe, abanye ababekhe phezu kwabo endaweni yezitena ezazishiywe zingenamsebenzi ngooyise, kwaye abanye ababebakhuphe befile kwisakhiwo.
21 Umsebenzi owawuthwalwa oonyana bakaSirayeli ngemihla ka-Adikam wawungaphezulu kakhulu kowona babewenza ngemihla kayise.
22 Oonyana bakaSirayeli babencwina imihla ngemihla ngenxa yomsebenzi wabo onzima, kuba babesithi, Yabonani, xa uFaro esifa, unyana wakhe uya kuvuka aze asenze sibe mncinci umsebenzi wethu!
23 Kodwa bawukhulisa umsebenzi wamva kunowokuqala, baza oonyana bakaSirayeli bancwina ngenxa yoku, baza ukukhala kwabo kwenyuka kwaya kuThixo ngenxa yomsebenzi wabo.
24 UThixo waliva ilizwi labantwana bakaSirayeli nokukhala kwabo ngaloo mihla, waza uThixo wawukhumbula kubo umnqophiso wakhe awawenza noAbraham, noIsake, noYakobi.
25 UThixo wawubona umthwalo wabantwana bakaSirayeli, nomsebenzi wabo onzima ngaloo mihla, waza wazimisela ukubahlangula.
26 UMoses unyana ka-Amram wayesavalelwe entolongweni ngaloo mihla, endlwini kaRehuweli umMidiyan, kwaye uZipora intombi kaRehuweli wayemondla ngokutya ngasese imihla ngemihla.
27 UMoses wavalelwa entolongweni endlwini kaRehuweli iminyaka elishumi.
28 Ekupheleni kweminyaka elishumi eyayingunyaka wokuqala wokulawula kukaFaro eYiputa, esikhundleni sikayise,
29 Wathi uTsipora kuRehuweli uyise, Akukho mntu ubuzayo okanye afune indoda engumHebhere, leyo ubuyibophile entolongweni ngoku iminyaka elishumi.
30 Ngoko ke, ukuba kuthe kwalunga emehlweni akho, masithumele siye kubona ukuba uphilile okanye ufile, kodwa uyise wayengazi ukuba umondlile.
31 Waphendula uRehuweli uyise wathi kuye, Kwakha kwenzeka into enje na ukuba umntu avalelwe entolongweni engenakutya iminyaka elishumi, aze aphile?
32 UZipora wamphendula uyise, wathi, Uvile na ukuba uThixo wamaHebhere mkhulu, woyikeka, kwaye wenza imimangaliso kuwo ngamaxesha onke?
33 Nguye owahlangula uAbraham eUre yamaKaledi, noIsake kwikrele likayise, noYakobi kwisithunywa seNkosi esalwa naye echwebeni laseYabhuki.
34 Kananjalo ngale ndoda wenze izinto ezininzi, wayihlangula emlanjeni waseYiputa nakwikrele likaFaro, nakubantwana bakwaKushi, ukuze akwazi ukuyihlangula endlaleni aze ayiphile.
35 Loo nto yabonakala ilungile emehlweni kaRehuweli, waza wenza ngokwelizwi lentombi yakhe, wathumela entolongweni ukuze aqonde ukuba kwenzeke ntoni na ngoMoses.
36 Wabona, nanko indoda uMoses ehlala entolongweni, imi ngeenyawo zayo, idumisa kwaye ithandaza kuThixo wookhokho bayo.
37 URehuweli wayalela ukuba uMoses akhutshwe entolongweni, baza bamcheba waza watshintsha iingubo zakhe zasentolongweni waza wadla isonka.
38 Emva koko uMoses wangena emyezweni kaRehuweli, owawusemva kwendlu, wathandaza khona kuYehova uThixo wakhe, owayemenzele imimangaliso emikhulu.
39 Kwaye kwathi ngelixa ethandaza wajonga ngakuye, wabona ukhuni lwesafire lubekwe emhlabeni, olwalutyalwe phakathi kwegadi.
40 Wasondela kwintonga waza wajonga, nanko igama leNkosi uThixo wemikhosi likroliwe kuyo, libhaliwe kwaye lilungisiwe kwintonga.
41 Wayifunda waza wolula isandla sakhe waza wayithabatha njengomthi wehlathi emahlathini, kwaye intonga yayisesandleni sakhe.
42 Kwaye le yinduku apho yonke imisebenzi kaThixo wethu yenziwa khona, emva kokuba edale izulu nomhlaba, nawo wonke umkhosi wazo, iilwandle, imilambo nazo zonke iintlanzi zazo.
43 Akuba uThixo emgxothile uAdam emyezweni wase-Eden, wathabatha intonga esandleni sakhe waza waya kulima umhlaba awayethatyathwe kuwo.
44 Intonga yehla yaya kuNowa yaza yanikwa uShem nenzala yakhe, yada yafika esandleni sika-Abraham umHebhere.
45 UAbraham wamnika unyana wakhe uIsake yonke into awayenayo, wamnika nale ntonga.
46 Wabaleka uYakobi waya ePadan-aram, wayiphatha ngesandla sakhe, kodwa xa wabuyela kuyise wayengayishiyanga.
47 Kananjalo xa wehla waya eYiputa, wayithatha esandleni sakhe, wayinika uYosefu, isabelo esinye ngaphezu kwabazalwana bakhe, kuba uYakobi wayeyithabathile kuEsawu umntakwabo.
48 Emva kokufa kukaYosefu, izikhulu zaseYiputa zangena endlwini kaYosefu, yaza intonga yangena esandleni sikaRehuweli umMidiyan, waza ekuphumeni kwakhe eYiputa, wayiphatha ngesandla waza wayityala emyezweni wakhe.
49 Kwaye onke amadoda anamandla amaKini azama ukuyihlutha xa ayezama ukufumana uZipora intombi yakhe, kodwa abazange baphumelele.

50 Ngoko ke loo ntonga yahlala ityalwe emyezweni kaRehuweli, de kwafika lowo wayenelungelo lokuyifumana waza wayithatha.
51 Wathi uRehuweli akubona intonga esandleni sikaMoses, wamangaliswa yiyo, wamnika intombi yakhe uZipora ukuba ibe ngumfazi wakhe.

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1 Wafa uBhahali-hanan unyana ka-Akebhore, ukumkani wakwaEdom, wangcwatyelwa endlwini yakhe ezweni lakwaEdom.
2 Emva kokufa kwakhe oonyana bakaEsawu bathumela ezweni lakwaEdom, bathabatha khona indoda yakwaEdom, egama linguHadadi; bamenza ukumkani phezu kwabo esikhundleni sikaBhahali-hanan, ukumkani wabo.
3 UHadadi waba ngukumkani koonyana bakaEdom iminyaka engamashumi amane anesibhozo.
4 Akuba elawula wagqiba ekubeni alwe nabantwana bakwaMowabhi, ukuze abathobe phantsi kwamandla abantwana bakaEsawu njengoko babenjalo ngaphambili, kodwa wayengenakukwazi, kuba abantwana bakwaMowabhi beva oku, baza basukuma baza bakhawuleza banyula ukumkani phezu kwabo phakathi kwabazalwana babo.
5 Emva koko bahlanganisana abantu abaninzi, bathumela koonyana baka-Amoni kubazalwana babo, ukuba babancede balwe noHadadi ukumkani wakwaEdom.
6 UHadadi weva oko bakwenzileyo oonyana bakaMowabhi, woyika kakhulu, wayeka ukulwa nabo.
7 Ngaloo mihla uMoses, unyana ka-Amram, kwaMidiyan, wathabatha uTsipora, intombi kaRehuweli, umMidiyan, ukuba abe ngumfazi wakhe.
8 UZipora wahamba ngeendlela zeentombi zikaYakobi, wayengaphelelanga nje kubulungisa bukaSara, bukaRebheka, bukaRakeli noLeya.
9 UZipora wamitha waza wazala unyana, wamthiya igama elinguGershom, kuba wathi, Ndingumphambukeli kwilizwe lasemzini; kodwa akalwalusanga ulusu lwakhe, ngokomyalelo kaRehuweli uyisezala.
10 Waphinda wamitha, wazala unyana, walusa ijwabi lakhe, wamthiya igama elinguEliyezere, kuba uMoses wathi, Kungokuba uThixo woobawo ebeluncedo lwam, wandihlangula ekreleni likaFaro.
11 UFaro ukumkani waseYiputa wawandisa kakhulu umsebenzi wabantwana bakaSirayeli ngaloo mihla, wayenza nzima idyokhwe yakhe phezu kwabantwana bakaSirayeli.
12 Waza wayalela ukuba kwenziwe isimemezelo eJiputa, esithi: “Musani ukubanika abantu umququ wokwenza izitena, mabahambe baye kuwuqokelela umququ kangangoko bewufumana.”
13 Kananjalo nenani lezitena abamele bazenze mabazihlawule yonke imihla, banganciphisi nto kubo, kuba bayavilapha emsebenzini wabo.
14 Bakuva oku oonyana bakaSirayeli, bazila baza bancwina, baza bakhala eNkosini ngenxa yobukrakra bemiphefumlo yabo.
15 Wakuva uYehova ukukhala kwabantwana bakaSirayeli, wayibona ingcinezelo ababeyicinezelwa ngamaYiputa.
16 Kwaye iNkosi yaba nomona ngabantu bayo nelifa layo, yaliva ilizwi labo, yaza yagqiba ekubeni ibakhuphe ekubandezelekeni kweYiputa, ukuze ibanike ilizwe laseKanan libe lelabo.

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1 Ngaloo mihla uMoses wayesalusa umhlambi kaRehuweli, umMidiyan, uyise womkakhe, phesheya kwentlango yaseSin, nentonga awayeyithabathile kuyise womkakhe isesandleni sakhe.
2 Kwathi ngenye imini inkunzi yebhokhwe yalahleka ishiya umhlambi, uMoses wayisukela, yafika entabeni kaThixo eHorebhe.
3 Wathi akufika eHorebhe, uYehova wabonakala kuye apho etyholweni, wafumana ityholo livutha ngumlilo, kodwa umlilo wawungenamandla phezu kwetyholo ukulitshisa.
4 UMoses wamangaliswa kakhulu ngulo mbono, ngenxa yoko ityholo alizange litshe, waza wasondela ukuze abone le nto inamandla, waza uYehova wambiza uMoses emlilweni waza wamyalela ukuba ehle aye eYiputa, kuFaro ukumkani waseYiputa, ukuze akhulule oonyana bakaSirayeli baphume enkonzweni yakhe.
5 Wathi uYehova kuMoses, Hamba, ubuyele eYiputa; kuba bonke abo babefuna ubomi bakho bafile, uze uthethe kuFaro, abandulule oonyana bakaSirayeli ezweni lakhe.
6 UYehova wambonisa ukuba enze imiqondiso nezimanga eYiputa phambi kwamehlo kaFaro naphambi kwabakhonzi bakhe, ukuze bakholwe ukuba uYehova umthumile.
7 UMoses waphulaphula konke uYehova abemwisele umthetho ngako, wabuyela kuyisezala, wamxelela loo nto; wathi uRehuweli kuye, Hamba ngoxolo.
8 UMoses wesuka waya eYiputa, wathabatha umkakhe noonyana bakhe, waya endlwini yabahambi endleleni, kwathi gqi isithunywa sikaThixo, samfuna ithuba lokumchasa.
9 Kwaye wayefuna ukumbulala ngenxa yonyana wakhe wamazibulo, kuba wayengamalukanga, kwaye wayewaphule umnqophiso iNkosi eyayiwenzile noAbraham.
10 Kuba uMoses wayewaphulaphule amazwi kayise womkakhe awayewathethile kuye, okuba angamluki unyana wakhe wamazibulo, ngenxa yoko akamalukanga.
11 UZipora wabona ingelosi yeNkosi ifuna ithuba lokuchasa uMoses, waza wazi ukuba le nto yayibangelwa kukuba engamlukanga unyana wakhe uGershom.
12 Wakhawuleza uTsipora, wathabatha amatye abukhali awayelapho, wamalusa unyana wakhe, waza wamhlangula umyeni wakhe nonyana wakhe esandleni sesithunywa seNkosi.
13 UAron unyana ka-Amram, umntakwaboMoses, wayeseYiputa ehamba ecaleni komlambo ngaloo mini.
14 UYehova wabonakala kuye kuloo ndawo, wathi kuye, Hamba uye kuMoses entlango. Waya ke, wamhlangabeza entabeni kaThixo, wamanga.
15 UAron waphakamisa amehlo akhe, wambona uTsipora, umkaMoses, nabantwana bakhe, wathi kuMoses, Ngoobani aba kuwe?

16 Wathi uMoses kuye, Ngumfazi wam noonyana bam, endibanike uThixo kwaMidiyan; yaza loo nto yaba buhlungu kuAron ngenxa yomfazi nabantwana bakhe.
17 Wathi uAron kuMoses, Mndulule umfazi nabantwana bakhe, baye endlwini kayise; uMoses waliphulaphula ilizwi lika-Aron, wenza njalo.
18 Wabuya ke uTsipora nabantwana bakhe, baya endlwini kaRehuweli, bahlala apho kwada kwafika ixesha lokuba uYehova abavelele abantu bakhe, wabakhupha eYiputa esandleni sikaFaro.
19 Bafika ooMoses noAron eYiputa kwibandla loonyana bakaSirayeli, bawathetha kubo onke amazwi kaYehova; abantu bavuya kakhulu kunene.
20 Bavuka uMoses noAron kusasa ngengomso, baya endlwini kaFaro; bathabatha intonga kaThixo ngezandla zabo.
21 Bakufika esangweni lokumkani, iingonyama ezimbini ezincinci zazivalelwe apho ziphethe izixhobo zesinyithi, kwaye akukho mntu uphumayo okanye ongena phambi kwabo, ngaphandle kwabo ukumkani wayebayalele ukuba beze, xa amagqwirha efika aze azisuse iingonyama ngemilingo yazo, kwaye oku kwabazisa kukumkani.
22 Wakhawuleza uMoses, wayiphakamisa intonga phezu kweengonyama, wazikhulula; bangena uMoses noAron endlwini yokumkani.
23 Iingonyama nazo zahamba nazo ngovuyo, zaza zabalandela, zavuya njengenja ivuya ngenkosi yayo xa ibuya endle.
24 UFaro akuyibona le nto, wothuka kakhulu, woyika kakhulu yile ngxelo, kuba imbonakalo yabo yayifana neyoonyana bakaThixo.
25 UFaro wathi kuMoses: “Nifuna ntoni?” Baphendula bathi: “UNdikhoyo uThixo wamaHebhere usithume kuwe ukuba size kuthi, ‘Khulula abantu bam baye kundikhonza.’
26 UFaro akuliva ilizwi labo, woyika kakhulu phambi kwabo, wathi kubo, Hambani namhlanje, nibuye nize kum ngomso. Benza ke ngokwelizwi lokumkani.
27 Bakuba bemkile uFaro wathumela ukuba kubizwe uBhileham isazi semilingo noYanes noYambres oonyana bakhe, nabo bonke abenzi bemilingo, nabaqambi beengqondi, nabacebisi ababengabakakumkani, baza bonke beza bahlala phambi kokumkani.
28 Ukumkani wabaxelela onke amazwi uMoses nomntakwabo uAron ababewathethile kuye, baza abakhafuli bathi kukumkani, Kodwa amadoda afike njani kuwe ngenxa yeengonyama ezazivalelwe esangweni?
29 Waza ukumkani wathi, Ngenxa yokuba baphakamise intonga yabo phezu kweengonyama bazikhulula, beza kum, neengonyama nazo zavuya kubo njengenja evuyayo xa idibana nenkosi yayo.
30 UBhileham unyana kaBhehore, isazinzulu, wamphendula ukumkani, wathi, Aba ngabakhafuli njengathi.
31 Ngoko ke thumelani ukuba baziwe, baze beze, size sibavavanye. Wenjenjalo ukumkani.
32 Kwathi kusasa uFaro wathumela ukuba kubizwe uMoses noAron phambi kokumkani; bayithabatha intonga kaThixo, baya kukumkani, bathetha naye, besithi,
33 Itsho iNkosi uThixo wamaHebhere ukuthi, Thumela abantu bam, baye kundikhonza.
34 Ukumkani wathi kubo, Ngubani na ke oya kukholwa kuni ukuba ningabathunywa bakaThixo, nokuba nize kum ngomyalelo wakhe?
35 Ke ngoko nika ummangaliso okanye umqondiso kule nto, uze amazwi owathethayo akholwe.
36 Wakhawuleza uAron, wayiphosa intonga esandleni sakhe phambi koFaro naphambi kwabakhonzi bakhe, yajika yaba yinyoka.
37 Bakubona oku, baphosa intonga yabo, ngamnye kubo, emhlabeni, zaba ziinyoka.
38 Inyoka yentonga ka-Aron yaphakamisa intloko yayo yaza yavula umlomo wayo ukuze iginye iintonga zabakhafuli.
39 Waphendula uBhileham isazinzulu wathi, Le nto ibikho kwasephakadeni, ukuba inyoka iginye umhlobo wayo, nezinto eziphilayo zidlane.
40 Ke ngoko yibuyisele kwintonga njengoko yayinjalo ekuqaleni, kwaye siya kuyibuyisela nentonga zethu njengoko zazinjalo ekuqaleni, kwaye ukuba intonga yakho iya kuginya intonga zethu, siya kwazi ke ukuba umoya kaThixo ukuwe, kwaye ukuba akunjalo, ungumyili wezinto nje njengathi.
41 Wakhawuleza uAron, wolula isandla sakhe, wabamba umsila wenyoka, waba yintonga esandleni sakhe; baza abathakathi benza okufanayo ngeentonga zabo, babamba, ngamnye umsila wenyoka yakhe, baba ziintonga njengakuqala.
42 Kwaye xa babuyiselwa kwiintonga, intonga ka-Aron yaziginya iintonga zabo.
43 Akubona oku ukumkani, wayalela ukuba kuziwe nencwadi yeengxelo eziphathelele ookumkani baseYiputa, baza bazisa incwadi yeengxelo, imbali yookumkani baseYiputa, apho zonke izithixo zaseYiputa zazibhalwe khona, kuba babecinga ukufumana igama likaYehova kuyo, kodwa abazange balifumane.
44 Wathi uFaro kuMoses nakuAron, Yabonani, andifumananga igama likaThixo wenu libhaliwe kule ncwadi, negama lakhe andilazi.
45 Baphendula abacebisi nezilumko, bathi kukumkani, Sivile ukuba uThixo wamaHebhere ngunyana wezilumko, ngunyana wookumkani bamandulo.
46 UFaro wajonga kuMoses noAron, wathi kubo, Andimazi uYehova enimthethileyo, nam andiyi kubandulula abantu bakhe.
47 Baphendula bathi kukumkani, Igama lakhe liyiNkosi uThixo wooThixo, kwaye wavakalisa igama lakhe phezu kwethu ukususela kwimihla yoobawo bethu, waza wasithuma, esithi, Yiyani kuFaro nithi kuye, Bandululeni abantu bam ukuba bandikhonze.
48 Ngoko ke sithume, sihambe uhambo lweentsuku ezintathu entlango, sibingelele kuye khona; kuba kususela kwimihla yokuhla kwethu eYiputa, akathabathanga esandleni sethu amadini anyukayo, nomnikelo wokudla, nombingelelo; ukuba awusithumeli, umsindo wakhe uya kuvutha kuwe, awubethe iYiputa ngesibetho, okanye ngekrele.
49 Wathi uFaro kubo, Ndixeleleni amandla akhe namandla akhe; bathi kuye, Nguye owadala izulu nomhlaba, iilwandle nazo zonke iintlanzi zazo, wadala ukukhanya, wadala ubumnyama, wabangela imvula emhlabeni, wawunkcenkceshela, wenza imifuno nengca ukuba ihlume,

wadala umntu nezilwanyana nezilwanyana zasehlathini, iintaka zezulu neentlanzi zolwandle, kwaye ngomlomo wakhe ziphila zize zife.
50 Ngokuqinisekileyo wakudala esizalweni sikanyoko, wakufaka umoya wobomi, wakukhulisa, wakubeka etroneni yobukumkani baseYiputa, kwaye uya kukususa umphefumlo wakho nomphefumlo wakho kuwe, aze akubuyisele emhlabeni owathatyathwa kuwo.
51 Wavutha umsindo wokumkani ngamazwi abo, wathi kubo, Ngubani na phakathi koothixo beentlanga onokukwenza oku? Umlambo wam ngowam, kwaye ndizenzele wona.
52 Wabagxotha kuye, waza wayalela ukuba umsebenzi phezu kwamaSirayeli ube nzima ngaphezu kwangaphambili nangaphambili.
53 UMoses noAron baphuma ebusweni bokumkani, babona oonyana bakaSirayeli besesimeni esibi kuba abaphathi babo babebenza nzima kakhulu umsebenzi wabo.
54 UMoses wabuyela kuYehova, wathi, Yini na ukuba ubaphathe kakubi abantu bakho? Kususela oko ndaya kuthetha kuFaro oko undithume kona, ubaphathe kakubi kakhulu oonyana bakaSirayeli.
55 Wathi uYehova kuMoses, Yabona, uya kubona ukuba uFaro uya kubakhulula oonyana bakaSirayeli ezweni lakhe ngesandla esoluliweyo, nangeentlungu ezinkulu.
56 UMoses noAron bahlala phakathi kwabazalwana babo, oonyana bakaSirayeli, eYiputa.
57 Ke bona oonyana bakaSirayeli, amaYiputa abenza buhlungu ubomi babo, ngomsebenzi onzima ababewuthwaliswa phezu kwabo.

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1 Kwathi ekupheleni kweminyaka emibini, uYehova waphinda wathumela uMoses kuFaro ukuba akhuphe oonyana bakaSirayeli, aze abakhuphe ezweni laseYiputa.
2 Waya uMoses endlwini kaFaro, wathetha kuye amazwi eNkosi eyayimthumile, kodwa uFaro akavumanga ukuphulaphula ilizwi leNkosi, waza uThixo wawaphakamisa amandla akhe eYiputa phezu kukaFaro nakubantu bakhe, waza uThixo wambetha uFaro nabantu bakhe ngezibetho ezinkulu nezibuhlungu kakhulu.
3 UYehova wathumela ngesandla sika-Aron, wawaguqula onke amanzi aseYiputa aba ligazi, kunye nemilambo yabo yonke, nemilambo yabo yonke.
4 Kwathi xa umYiputa weza kusela aze akhe amanzi, wajonga emphandeni wakhe, wabona onke amanzi eguquka aba ligazi; waza xa weza kusela endebeni yakhe amanzi asendebeni aba ligazi.
5 Xa umfazi wayexova intlama yakhe aze apheke ukutya kwakhe, inkangeleko yabo yayiguquka ibe ligazi.
6 Wabuya uYehova wathumela, wabangela ukuba amanzi abo onke aphume amasele; onke amasele angena ezindlwini zamaYiputa.
7 Akuba amaYiputa esela, izisu zawo zazaliswa ngamasele kwaye adlala esiswini sawo njengoko ayesina emlanjeni.
8 Kwaye onke amanzi abo okusela namanzi okupheka aguquka aba ngamasele, kwanaxa babelele ebhedini zabo ukubila kwabo kwazala amasele.
9 Nangona kunjalo konke oku umsindo kaYehova awubuyanga kubo, isandla sakhe solulelwa phezu kwawo onke amaYiputa, ukuba awabethe ngezibetho zonke ezinzima.
10 Wathumela, walubetha uthuli lwazo lwaba ziingcongconi, zaza iingcongconi zakhula zaya kutsho kwiikubhite ezimbini ukuphakama emhlabeni.
11 Iintshulube zazininzi kakhulu, enyameni yomntu nakwizilo, kubo bonke abemi baseYiputa, nakukumkani nakukumkanikazi iNkosi yathumela iintshulube, kwaye yayenza buhlungu kakhulu iYiputa ngenxa yeentshulube.
12 Nangona kunjalo, umsindo kaYehova awuzange ubuye, isandla sakhe sasisasolulile phezu kweYiputa.
13 UYehova wathumela zonke iintlobo zeenkomo zasendle eYiputa; zeza zatshabalalisa yonke iYiputa, abantu, izilwanyana, imithi, nazo zonke izinto ezazikho eYiputa.
14 UYehova wathumela iinyoka ezinobuhlungu, oonomadudwane, iimpuku, oozinyo, iingxangxasi, kunye nezinye ezirhubuluzayo eluthulini.
15 Iimpukane, oonomeva, iintakumba, izinambuzane neengcongconi, nganye ibubu ngokweentlobo zayo.
16 Zonke izilwanyana ezirhubuluzayo nezilwanyana ezinamaphiko zeza eYiputa, zaza zabangela intlungu enkulu kumaYiputa.
17 Iimpukane neempukane zangena emehlweni nasezindlebeni zamaYiputa.
18 Kwaye oonondindwa babahlasela babagxotha, baza baphuma apho baya emagumbini abo angaphakathi, baza babasukela.
19 Xa amaYiputa azimela ngenxa yeqela lezilwanyana, azivalela iingcango zawo emva kwawo, waza uThixo wayalela amaSulanuthi awayeselwandle ukuba anyuke aye eYiputa.
20 Wayeneengalo ezinde, ubude bazo buziikubhite ezilishumi, ubude bazo buziikubhite ezilishumi.
21 Wangena eluphahleni, watyhila imiqadi, wasika, wolula ingalo yakhe endlwini, wakhupha isitshixo, wavula izindlu zaseYiputa.
22 Emva koko kwangena inqwaba yezilwanyana ezindlwini zaseYiputa; inqwaba yezilwanyana yawatshabalalisa amaYiputa, kwawakhathaza kakhulu.
23 Nangona kunjalo, umsindo kaYehova awuzange ubuye kumaYiputa, yaye isandla sakhe sasisoluliwe nxamnye nawo.
24 UThixo wathumela indyikitya yokufa, yaza yafika eYiputa, emahasheni, emaesileni, nakwiinkamela, emihlambini yeenkomo, ezimvu, nakubantu.
25 Athi amaYiputa avuka kusasa ukuze aye kudla iinkomo zawo, afika zonke iinkomo zawo zifile.
26 Kwasala inkomo enye kuphela kwezilishumi zamaYiputa, kwaye akukho nanye eyafayo kwinkomo zamaSirayeli eGoshen.
27 UThixo wathumela ukuvuvukala okutsha enyameni yamaJiputa, kwagqabhuka ulusu lwawo, kwaza kwaba kukurhawuzelela okukhulu kuwo onke amaJiputa ukususela ezinyaweni zawo ukuya entloko.
28 Kwakukho amathumba amaninzi enyameni yabo, kangangokuba inyama yabo yaphela yada yabola yaza yabola.
29 Nangona kunjalo umsindo kaYehova awuzange ubuye, isandla sakhe sasisasolulile phezu kweYiputa yonke.
30 Kwaye iNkosi yathumela isichotho esikhulu kakhulu, esabetha imidiliya yabo saza saphula imithi yabo

yeziqhamo saza sayomisa kangangokuba yawela phezu kwayo.
31 Kananjalo yonke imifuno eluhlaza yomile yaza yatsha, kuba umlilo oxubeneyo wehla phakathi kwesichotho, ngoko ke isichotho nomlilo zayitshisa yonke into.
32 Abantu nezilwanyana ezafunyanwa ngaphandle zatshabalala ngamalangatye omlilo nesichotho, nazo zonke iingonyama ezintsha zaphelelwa ngamandla.
33 UYehova wathumela waza wazisa iinkumbi ezininzi eYiputa, iChasel, iSalom, iChargol, neChagole, zonke iintlobo zazo, ezadla zonke izinto ezazishiywe sisichotho.
34 AmaJiputa avuya kakhulu ziinkumbi, kuba zazidla zonke iimveliso zasemasimini, azibamba kakhulu, aza azigalela ityuwa ukuze zityiwe.
35 UYehova waguqula umoya omkhulu elwandle, wazisusa zonke iinkumbi, nezo zazityumkile, waziphosa eLwandle oluBomvu; akwasala nanye inkumbi emideni yaseYiputa.
36 UThixo wathumela ubumnyama phezu kweYiputa, kangangokuba lonke ilizwe laseYiputa nelasePatrosi laba mnyama iintsuku ezintathu, kangangokuba umntu wayengenakubona isandla sakhe xa esiphakamisa emlonyeni wakhe.
37 Ngelo xesha kwafa uninzi lwamaSirayeli awayevukela uYehova, awayengavumi ukumphulaphula uMoses noAron, kwaye engakholwanga kubo ukuba uThixo wayebathumile.
38 Nabo babesithi, Asiyi kuphuma eYiputa hleze sitshabalale yindlala entlango engenanto, kwaye singavumi ukuphulaphula ilizwi likaMoses.
39 UYehova wababetha ngezo ntsuku zintathu zobumnyama, amaSirayeli abangcwaba ngaloo mihla, amaYiputa engabazi okanye ebavuyela.
40 Ubumnyama baba bukhulu kakhulu eYiputa kangangeentsuku ezintathu, kwaye nabani na owayemi xa kufika ubumnyama, wayemi endaweni yakhe, nalowo wayehleli wahlala, nalowo wayelele waqhubeka elele kwimeko efanayo, nalowo wayehamba wahlala phantsi kwindawo efanayo; kwaye oku kwenzeka kuwo onke amaYiputa, de ubumnyama badlula.
41 Yadlula imihla yobumnyama, uYehova wathumela uMoses noAron kubantwana bakaSirayeli, esithi, Yibhiyozeleni umthendeleko wenu nize nenze iPasika yenu, kuba ndiyabona, ndifika phakathi kobusuku phakathi kwamaYiputa onke, ndize ndiwabulale onke amazibulo awo, ukususela kwizibulo lomntu ukuya kwizibulo lesilwanyana, kwaye xa ndibona iPasika yenu, ndiya kudlula phezu kwenu.
42 Benza ke oonyana bakaSirayeli njengako konke uYehova abemwisele umthetho ngako uMoses noAron, benjenjalo ngobo busuku.
43 Kwathi phakathi kobusuku, uYehova waphuma phakathi kweYiputa, wawabulala onke amazibulo amaYiputa, ukususela kwizibulo lomntu ukuya kwizibulo leenkomo.
44 Wavuka uFaro ebusuku, yena nabakhonzi bakhe bonke, nawo onke amaYiputa; kwabakho isikhalo esikhulu kulo lonke elaseYiputa ngobo busuku; kuba kwakungekho ndlu apho kungekho sidumbu khona.
45 Kwakhona imifanekiso yamazibulo aseYiputa, eyayikrolwe eludongeni lwezindlu zawo, yatshatyalaliswa yaza yawa emhlabeni.
46 Kwanamathambo amazibulo abo afa ngaphambi koku, awayengcwatywe ezindlwini zawo, athathwa zizinja zamaJiputa ngobo busuku, arhuqwa phambi kwamaJiputa, aphoswa phambi kwawo.
47 Onke amaYiputa abubona obu bubi buwafikeleyo ngequbuliso; onke amaYiputa akhala ngezwi elikhulu.
48 Zonke iintsapho zaseYiputa zalila ngobo busuku, ngamnye ngenxa yonyana wakhe, yaye ngamnye ngenxa yentombi yakhe, ngenxa yokuba wayelizibulo, yaye ingxolo yaseYiputa yavakala kude ngobo busuku.
49 UBhithiya, intombi kaFaro, waphuma nokumkani ngobo busuku ukuya kufuna uMoses noAron ezindlwini zabo, babafumana ezindlwini zabo, besidla, besela, bevuya kunye noSirayeli wonke.
50 Wathi uBhathiya kuMoses, Ngumvuzo na lo ngenxa yokulunga endikwenzele kona, okukhulisileyo nokukolulayo, uze wena undizisele obu bubi mna nendlu kabawo?
51 Wathi uMoses kuye, UYehova wazisa izibetho ezilishumi phezu kweYiputa; ngaba kukho bubi na obukufikeleyo kuzo? Ngaba kukho bubi na obukufikeleyo? Wathi, Hayi.
52 Wathi uMoses kuye, Nangona ungowamazibulo kunyoko, akuyi kufa, kwaye akuyi kufunyanwa bubi phakathi kweYiputa.
53 Wathi, Kundinceda ngantoni na, xa ndibona ukumkani, nomnakwethu, nendlu yakhe yonke, nabalawulwa bakhe, bekwimeko embi, amazibulo akhe atshabalele kunye nawo onke amazibulo aseYiputa?
54 Wathi uMoses kuye, Inene, umnakwenu, nendlu yakhe, nabakhonzi baseYiputa, abaliphulaphulanga ilizwi likaYehova; yiyo loo nto behlelwe bububi.
55 UFaro ukumkani waseYiputa weza kuMoses nakuAron, nakwabanye oonyana bakaSirayeli ababenabo kuloo ndawo, wabathandazela, esithi,
56 Sukani niye kuthabatha abazalwana benu, bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli abakweli lizwe, kunye nempahla yabo emfutshane neenkomo zabo, nazo zonke izinto zabo, abayi kushiya nto iseleyo, kodwa ndithandazeleni kuYehova uThixo wenu.
57 Wathi uMoses kuFaro, Uyabona, ulizibulo likanyoko, ungoyiki, kuba akuyi kufa; kuba uYehova ukuwisele umthetho wokuba uphile, ukuze akubonise amandla akhe amakhulu nengalo yakhe eyolukileyo.
58 UFaro wayalela ukuba oonyana bakaSirayeli bandululwe, yaye onke amaYiputa azimisela ukubandulula, kuba ayesithi, “Sonke siyafa.”
59 Kwaye onke amaYiputa awathumela amaSirayeli, ephethe ubutyebi obukhulu, izimvu neenkomo nezinto ezixabisekileyo, ngokwesifungo seNkosi phakathi kwakhe nobawo wethu uAbraham.
60 AmaSirayeli alala ebusuku, aza amaYiputa eza kubakhupha, athi kubo, Singamasela na, ukuba siphume ebusuku?
61 Bacela kumaYiputa iimpahla zesilivere, neempahla zegolide, neengubo, baza oonyana bakaSirayeli babahluba amaYiputa.
62 Wakhawuleza uMoses, wesuka waya emlanjeni waseYiputa, wayinyusa apho ingqengqelo kaYosefu, wayithwala.

63 Oonyana bakaSirayeli nabo benyuka, elowo ethwala umkhombe kayise, elowo uphethe umqulu kayise, elowo umqulu wesizwe sakhe.

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1 Banduluka ke oonyana bakaSirayeli eRameses, baya eSukoti, amadoda eenyawo engathi ngamakhulu amathandathu amawaka, ngaphandle kwabantwana nabafazi babo.
2 Kwenyuka ke nabo inkitha engumxube, nemihlambi yeegusha neenkomo, neenkomo ezininzi.
3 Ke ukuhlala koonyana bakaSirayeli ezweni laseYiputa besebenza nzima, kwaba yiminyaka emakhulu mabini aneshumi.
4 Ekupheleni kweminyaka engamakhulu amabini aneshumi, uYehova wabakhupha oonyana bakaSirayeli eYiputa ngesandla esiqinileyo.
5 Banduluka oonyana bakaSirayeli eYiputa, naseGoshen, naseRameses, bamisa iintente eSukoti ngomhla weshumi elinesihlanu wenyanga yokuqala.
6 AmaYiputa angcwaba onke amazibulo awo awayewabulele uYehova; onke amaYiputa angcwaba ababuleweyo bawo iintsuku ezintathu.
7 Banduluka oonyana bakaSirayeli eSukoti, bamisa iintente e-Ethom, ekupheleni kwentlango.
8 Kwathi ngomhla wesithathu emva kokuba amaYiputa engcwabe amazibulo awo, amadoda amaninzi aphuma eYiputa aza alandela uSirayeli ukuze awabuyisele eYiputa, kuba ayezisola ngokubakhulula amaSirayeli ebukhobokeni bawo.
9 Omnye wathi kummelwane wakhe, Inene uMoses noAron bathethe kuFaro, bathi, Siya kuhamba uhambo lweentsuku ezintathu entlango, sibingelele kuYehova uThixo wethu.
10 Masivuke kusasa kusasa sibabuyisele, size sazi ukuba bathe babuyela nathi eYiputa kwiinkosi zabo, kodwa ukuba ababuyi, siza kulwa nabo, sibabuyisele ngamandla amakhulu nangesandla esomeleleyo.
11 Bavuka kusasa bonke abanumzana bakaFaro, benamadoda amalunga namakhulu asixhenxe amawaka, baphuma eYiputa ngaloo mini, baya kufika apho babekhona oonyana bakaSirayeli.
12 Onke amaYiputa ababona, nanko uMoses noAron nabo bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli behleli phambi kwePi-hahiroti, besidla, besela, besenza umthendeleko kaYehova.
13 Athi onke amaYiputa koonyana bakaSirayeli, Inene nitshilo ukuthi, Siya kuhamba uhambo lweentsuku ezintathu entlango, sibingelele kuThixo wethu, sibuye.
14 Ngoko ke namhlanje ziintsuku ezintlanu ukususela oko nihambile, kutheni ningabuyeli kwiinkosi zenu?
15 Baphendula ooMoses noAron, bathi kubo, UYehova uThixo wethu usingqinisisile, wathi, Anisayi kuphinda nibuyele eYiputa; siya kuphuma siye ezweni elibaleka ubisi nobusi, njengoko wafungayo uYehova uThixo wethu koobawo ukuba wosinika lona.
16 Bakubona abathetheli baseYiputa ukuba oonyana bakaSirayeli abaphulaphulanga, ukuba babuyele eYiputa, baxhoba ukuze balwe namaSirayeli.
17 UYehova waziqinisa iintliziyo zoonyana bakaSirayeli phezu kwamaYiputa, ababetha kakhulu; imfazwe yaba nzima kumaYiputa; asaba onke amaYiputa phambi koonyana bakaSirayeli; ngokuba abaninzi babulawa sisandla samaSirayeli.
18 Iinkosana zikaFaro zaya eYiputa zamxelela uFaro, zisithi, Oonyana bakaSirayeli babalekile, abasayi kuphinda babuyele eYiputa, kwaye ngolu hlobo bathethe nathi uMoses noAron.
19 UFaro wayiva le nto, intliziyo yakhe neentliziyo zabo bonke abantu bakhe zajika nxamnye noSirayeli, baza bazisola ngokuba bemthumele uSirayeli; kwaye onke amaYiputa amcebisa uFaro ukuba asukele abantwana bakaSirayeli ukuze ababuyisele emithwalweni yabo.
20 Bathi omnye komnye kumntakwabo, Siyenzele ntoni na le nto, yokuba simndulule uSirayeli ebukhobokeni bethu?
21 UYehova waziqinisa iintliziyo zamaYiputa onke ukuba asukele amaSirayeli; kuba uYehova wayenqwenela ukuwawisa amaYiputa eLwandle oluBomvu.
22 Wavuka uFaro, wabopha inqwelo yakhe yokulwa, wayalela ukuba onke amaYiputa ahlanganisene; akwasala nanye indoda, ngaphandle kwabantwana nabafazi.
23 Onke amaYiputa aphuma noFaro, aya kubasukela oonyana bakaSirayeli; yaye inkampu yamaYiputa yayiyinkampu enkulu kakhulu nenzima, malunga neshumi lamawaka lamadoda.
24 Lonke eli qela lahamba laza lasukela oonyana bakaSirayeli ukuze libabuyisele eYiputa, baza bafika apho bemise khona iintente ngaseLwandle Olubomvu.
25 Bawaphakamisa amehlo oonyana bakaSirayeli, bawabona onke amaYiputa ebasukela; boyika kakhulu oonyana bakaSirayeli ngenxa yabo; bakhala oonyana bakaSirayeli kuYehova.
26 Ngenxa yamaYiputa, oonyana bakaSirayeli bahlukana baba ziingxwelerha ezine, baza bahlukana ngokweembono zabo, kuba babesoyika amaYiputa, waza uMoses wathetha nabo bonke.
27 Iqela lokuqala yayileloonyana bakaRubhen, noSimon, noIsakare, baza bagqiba ekubeni baziphose elwandle, kuba babesoyika kakhulu amaYiputa.
28 Wathi uMoses kubo, Musani ukoyika; yimani, nilubone usindiso lukaYehova aya kunenzela lona namhlanje.
29 Iqela lesibini yayileloonyana bakaZebhulon, uBhenjamin noNafetali, baza bagqiba ekubeni babuyele eJiputa namaYiputa.
30 Wathi uMoses kubo, Musani ukoyika; kuba njengoko niwabonileyo amaYiputa namhlanje, anisayi kuphinda niwabone naphakade.
31 Iqela lesithathu yayileloonyana bakaYuda noYosefu, baza bagqiba ekubeni baye kudibana namaYiputa ukuze balwe nawo.
32 Wathi uMoses kubo, Yimani ngeendawo zenu, kuba uYehova uya kunilwela; ke nina niya kuthi cwaka.
33 Kwaye iqela lesine yayileloonyana bakaLevi, uGadi, noAshere, baza bagqiba kwelokuba bangene phakathi kwamaYiputa ukuze bawaphazamise, waza uMoses wathi kubo, Hlalani kwindawo yenu kwaye ningoyiki, thandazani kuphela eNkosini ukuze inisindise ezandleni zabo.
34 Emva koko wesuka uMoses phakathi kwabantu, wathandaza kuYehova, wathi,
35 Owu Yehova Thixo womhlaba wonke, sindisa abantu bakho obakhuphileyo eYiputa, kwaye makangaqhayisi amaYiputa esithi amandla nobugorha ngawawo.

36 Wathi uYehova kuMoses, Ukhalelani na kum? Thetha koonyana bakaSirayeli ukuba bahambe, wolule intonga yakho phezu kolwandle, ulwahlule, badlule oonyana bakaSirayeli kulo.
37 Wenjenjalo uMoses; wayiphakamisa intonga yakhe phezu kolwandle, walwahlula ulwandle.
38 Amanzi olwandle ahlukana abe zizabelo ezilishumi elinambini, baza oonyana bakaSirayeli badlula ngeenyawo, benxibe izihlangu, njengomntu odlula ngendlela elungisiweyo.
39 UYehova wabonakalisa imimangaliso yakhe kubantwana bakaSirayeli eYiputa naselwandle ngesandla sikaMoses noAron.
40 Bathi bakungena oonyana bakaSirayeli elwandle, amaYiputa abalandela, amanzi olwandle abuyela phezu kwabo, baza bonke batshona emanzini, akwasala namnye ngaphandle kukaFaro, owabulelayo kuYehova waza wakholwa kuye, ngoko ke uYehova akazange amtshabalalise ngelo xesha kunye namaYiputa.
41 UYehova wayalela isithunywa sezulu ukuba simthabathe phakathi kwamaYiputa, esamphosa kwilizwe laseNineve waza walawula phezu kwalo ixesha elide.
42 Ngaloo mini uYehova wasindisa amaSirayeli esandleni samaYiputa, bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli babona ukuba amaYiputa atshabalele, babona isandla esikhulu sikaYehova, kwinto awayeyenzile eYiputa naselwandle.
43 Bahlabela uMoses noonyana bakaSirayeli le ngoma kuYehova, mhla uYehova awawisa amaYiputa phambi kwabo.
44 Wonke uSirayeli wavuma ingoma enye, esithi, Ndiya kuhlabela ingoma kuYehova, kuba uphakame kakhulu; ihashe nomkhweli walo uliphose elwandle; khangela, kubhaliwe encwadini yomthetho kaThixo.
45 Emveni koko oonyana bakaSirayeli bahamba, bamisa iintente eMara; uYehova wabanika oonyana bakaSirayeli imimiselo namasiko kuloo ndawo eMara; uYehova wabawisela umthetho oonyana bakaSirayeli ukuba bahambe ngeendlela zakhe zonke, bamkhonze.
46 Basuka eMara bafika e-Elim, apho e-Elim kwakukho imithombo yamanzi elishumi elinesibini nemithi yedati engamashumi asixhenxe, kwaye abantwana bamisa iintente apho ngasemanzini.
47 Banduluka e-Elim, bafika entlango yaseSin, ngomhla weshumi elinesihlanu wenyanga yesibini emva kokuphuma kwabo eYiputa.
48 Ngelo xesha uYehova wabanika oonyana bakaSirayeli imana ukuba badle; uYehova wanisa ukutya okuvela ezulwini imihla ngemihla kubantwana bakaSirayeli.
49 Oonyana bakaSirayeli badla imana iminyaka engamashumi amane, yonke imihla ababesentlango, bada bafika ezweni lakwaKanan ukuze balihluthe.
50 Banduluka entlango yaseSin, bamisa iintente eAlushe.
51 Banduluka eAlushi, bamisa iintente eRefidim.
52 Kwathi, xa oonyana bakaSirayeli beseRefidim, kwafika uAmaleki, unyana kaElifazi, unyana kaEsawu, umntakwabo Zefo, elwa namaSirayeli.
53 Waza wafika namadoda angamakhulu asibhozo ananye amawaka, izazi nabakhwitsi, walungiselela imfazwe noSirayeli eRefidim.
54 Baqhubeka nemfazwe enkulu nenzima nxamnye noSirayeli, waza uYehova wanikela uAmaleki nabantu bakhe esandleni sikaMoses nabantwana bakaSirayeli, nasesandleni sikaYoshuwa, unyana kaNun, umEfrata, umkhonzi kaMoses.
55 Oonyana bakaSirayeli bamoyisa uAmaleki nabantu bakhe ngohlangothi lwekrele, kodwa idabi laba nzima kakhulu nxamnye noonyana bakaSirayeli.
56 Wathi uYehova kuMoses, Bhala le nto ibe sisikhumbuzo kuwe encwadini, uyibeke esandleni sikaYoshuwa unyana kaNun, umkhonzi wakho, ubawisele umthetho oonyana bakaSirayeli, uthi, Xa nithe nafika ezweni lakwaKanan, niya kuyicima ngokupheleleyo inkumbulo ka-Amaleki phantsi kwezulu.
57 UMoses wenza njalo, waza wayithabatha incwadi, wabhala phezu kwayo la mazwi, esithi,
58 Khumbula oko uAmaleki akwenzileyo kuwe endleleni ekuphumeni kwakho eYiputa.
59 Owakuhlangabeza endleleni waza wabetha umva wakho, kwanabo babebuthathaka ngasemva kwakho xa wawudiniwe kwaye udiniwe.
60 Kothi ke, xa uYehova uThixo wakho ekuphumzile kuzo zonke iintshaba zakho ezikujikelezileyo ezweni uYehova uThixo wakho akunika lona ukuba libe lilifa, ulihluthe, ucime ukukhunjulwa kuka-Amaleki phantsi kwezulu, ungakulibali.
61 Kwaye ukumkani oya kuba nenceba ku-Amaleki, okanye kwinkumbulo yakhe okanye kwimbewu yakhe, qaphelani ndiya kuyifuna kuye, kwaye ndiya kumnqumla phakathi kwabantu bakhe.
62 UMoses wazibhala zonke ezi zinto encwadini, waza wabayalela oonyana bakaSirayeli ngazo zonke ezi zinto.

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1 Banduluka oonyana bakaSirayeli eRefidim, baya kumisa iintente entlango yaseSinayi, ngenyanga yesithathu emva kokuphuma kwabo eYiputa.
2 Ngelo xesha weza uRehuweli umMidiyan, uyisezala kaMoses, kunye noTsipora intombi yakhe noonyana bakhe ababini, kuba wayevile ngemimangaliso kaYehova awayeyenzele amaSirayeli, ngokuba wayebahlangule esandleni samaYiputa.
3 URehuweli weza kuMoses entlango apho wayemise khona inkampu, apho kwakukho intaba kaThixo.
4 UMoses waphuma waya kumhlangabeza uyise womkakhe ngozuko olukhulu; onke amaSirayeli ayenaye.
5 URehuweli noonyana bakhe bahlala phakathi kwamaSirayeli imihla emininzi, waza uRehuweli wamazi uYehova ukususela ngaloo mini.
6 Kwathi ngenyanga yesithathu emva kokuba abantwana bakaSirayeli bephumile eYiputa, ngomhla wesithandathu, uYehova wanika amaSirayeli imithetho elishumi eNtabeni yaseSinayi.
7 Aweva onke amaSirayeli onke la mithetho, avuya kakhulu uYehova ngaloo mini.
8 Ubuqaqawuli bukaYehova bahlala phezu kweNtaba yeSinayi, wabiza uMoses; uMoses weza phakathi kwelifu, wenyuka intaba.
9 UMoses wahlala entabeni iintsuku ezingamashumi amane nobusuku obungamashumi amane; akadla sonka, akasela manzi, uYehova wamfundisa imimiselo namasiko ukuze afundise oonyana bakaSirayeli.

10 Kwaye iNkosi yabhala imiyalelo elishumi eyayiyiyalele abantwana bakaSirayeli kumacwecwe amabini amatye, awawanika uMoses ukuba awayalele abantwana bakaSirayeli.
11 Kwathi ekupheleni kweentsuku ezingamashumi amane nobusuku obungamashumi amane, xa uYehova wagqiba ukuthetha noMoses entabeni yaseSinayi, uYehova wamnika uMoses amacwecwe amatye, ebhalwe ngomnwe kaThixo.
12 Akubona oonyana bakaSirayeli ukuba uMoses ulibele ukwehla entabeni, babuthelana kuAron, bathi, Lo Moses, asazi ukuba kwenzeke ntoni na kuye.
13 Ngoko ke vuka, usenzele uthixo oya kuhamba phambi kwethu, ukuze ungafi.
14 UAron woyika kakhulu abantu, waza wabayalela ukuba bamzisele igolide, waza wayenza ithole elityhidiweyo labantu.
15 Wathi uYehova kuMoses, engekahle entabeni, Yihla; kuba abantu bakho owabakhupha eYiputa bonakalisile.
16 Bazenzele ithole elityhidiweyo, baqubuda kulo; ngoko ke ndiyeke, ndibatshabalalise bangabikho emhlabeni, kuba bangabantu abantamo ilukhuni.
17 UMoses wambongoza uYehova, wathandaza kuYehova ngenxa yabantu ngenxa yethole ababelenzile; waza emva koko wehla entabeni, ephethe amacwecwe amabini amatye ezandleni zakhe, awayenikwe nguThixo ukuba awayalele amaSirayeli.
18 Wasondela uMoses eminqubeni, walibona ithole ababelenzile abantu, wavutha umsindo kaMoses, wawaphula amacwecwe aphantsi kwentaba.
19 Wafika uMoses enkampini, walithabatha ithole, walitshisa ngomlilo, walicola lada laba luthuli olucolekileyo, walisasaza emanzini, walinika amaSirayeli ukuba asele.
20 Kwafa phakathi kwabantu ngamakrele omnye komnye, amadoda amalunga namawaka amathathu awayenze ithole.
21 Kwathi ngengomso, uMoses wathi ebantwini, Ndiya kunyuka ndiye kuYehova, mhlawumbi ndingenza icamagushelo ngenxa yezono zenu enizone ngazo kuYehova.
22 Wabuya uMoses wenyuka waya kuYehova, wahlala noYehova iintsuku ezimashumi mane nobusuku obumashumi mane.
23 Kwathi kwiintsuku ezingamashumi amane uMoses wathandaza kuYehova ngenxa yabantwana bakaSirayeli, wayiva imithandazo kaMoses, waze uYehova wathandazelwa nguye ngenxa yamaSirayeli.
24 Waza wathetha uYehova kuMoses ukuba aqingqe amacwecwe amabini amatye aze awazise eNkosini, eya kubhala phezu kwawo imiyalelo elishumi.
25 Wenjenjalo uMoses, wehla, wawaqaba amacwecwe omabini, wenyuka waya eNtabeni yaseSinayi, waya kuYehova; uYehova wabhala imithetho elishumi kumacwecwe lawo.
26 UMoses wahlala noYehova iintsuku ezingamashumi amane nobusuku obungamashumi amane, uYehova wamfundisa imimiselo namasiko ukuba awanike amaSirayeli.
27 UYehova wamyalela ngabantwana bakaSirayeli ukuba bamenzele uYehova indawo engcwele, ukuze igama lakhe lihlale kuyo, waza uYehova wambonisa umfanekiso wengcwele, kunye nemifanekiso yazo zonke iimpahla zayo.
28 Kwathi ekupheleni kweentsuku ezingamashumi amane, uMoses wehla entabeni, ephethe amacwecwe amabini esandleni sakhe.
29 Waya uMoses koonyana bakaSirayeli, wathetha kubo onke amazwi kaYehova, wabafundisa imithetho, nemimiselo, namasiko, awayemfundise wona uYehova.
30 UMoses wabaxelela oonyana bakaSirayeli ilizwi likaYehova, lokuba makwenziwe indawo engcwele, ukuze ahlale phakathi kwabantwana bakaSirayeli.
31 Bavuya kakhulu abantu ngako konke okulungileyo uYehova akuthethileyo kubo ngoMoses, bathi, Konke akuthethileyo uYehova kuwe siya kukwenza.
32 Basuka abantu njengamntu mnye, banikela ngeminikelo yesisa engcweleni kaYehova, bazisa elowo umnikelo kaYehova emsebenzini wengcwele, nangokwenkonzo yayo yonke.
33 Bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli bazisa, elowo nalowo, konke okwafunyanwa kuye, emsebenzini wengcwele kaYehova, igolide, isilivere, nobhedu, nayo yonke into eyayifuneka endlwini engcwele.
34 Bonke abalumkileyo ababesebenza, beza, benza ingcwele kaYehova, njengako konke uYehova abekuyalele, bonke abo babesebenza emsebenzini wabo; bonke abalumkileyo entliziyweni benza ingcwele, nempahla yayo, nazo zonke iimpahla zenkonzo engcwele, njengoko uYehova wayemyalele uMoses.
35 Wagqitywa ke umsebenzi wengcwele yomnquba ekupheleni kweenyanga ezintlanu, oonyana bakaSirayeli benza konke uYehova abemwisele umthetho ngako uMoses.
36 Bayizisa ingcwele neempahla zayo zonke kuMoses; njengoko uYehova wayembonise uMoses, benjenjalo oonyana bakaSirayeli.
37 UMoses wawubona umsebenzi, khangela, bawenza njengoko uYehova wayemyalele, wabasikelela ke uMoses.

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1 Kwathi ngenyanga yeshumi elinesibini, ngomhla wamashumi amabini anesithathu wenyanga, uMoses wathabatha uAron noonyana bakhe, wabanxiba iingubo zabo, wabathambisa, wenza kubo njengoko uYehova wayemyalele; uMoses wanyusa yonke iminikelo uYehova awayemyalele yona ngaloo mini.
2 Emva koko uMoses wathabatha uAron noonyana bakhe, wathi kubo, Niya kuhlala emnyango wentente engcwele iintsuku ezisixhenxe; kuba ndiwiselwe umthetho ngaloo ndlela.
3 Benza uAron noonyana bakhe konke uYehova abebayalele ngako ngesandla sikaMoses; bahlala emnyango wentente imihla esixhenxe.
4 Kwathi ngomhla wesibhozo, ngomhla wokuqala wenyanga yokuqala, ngomnyaka wesibini emva kokuphuma kwamaSirayeli eYiputa, uMoses wamisa ingcwele, wayimisa uMoses yonke impahla yomnquba, nayo yonke impahla yengcwele, wenza konke uYehova abemwisele umthetho ngako.
5 UMoses wabiza uAron noonyana bakhe, bazisa idini elinyukayo nedini lesono, ngenxa yabo, nangenxa

yoonyana bakaSirayeli, njengoko uYehova wamwiselayo umthetho uMoses.
6 Ngaloo mini oonyana baka-Aron ababini, uNadabhi noAbhihu, bathabatha umlilo ongengowasemthethweni, bawuzisa phambi koYehova, owayengabayalelanga; kwaphuma umlilo phambi koYehova, wabatshisa, bafa phambi koYehova ngaloo mini.
7 Kwathi ngomhla uMoses awagqiba ngawo ukumisela ingcwele, izikhulu zoonyana bakaSirayeli zaqala ukusondeza iminikelo yazo phambi koYehova, ukuba isibingelelo sihlanjululwe.
8 Bazisa iminikelo yabo, isikhulu ngasinye ngosuku olunye, isikhulu esinye ngosuku, iintsuku ezilishumi elinambini.
9 Yonke iminikelo ababeyizisa, elowo ngemini yakhe, yayisitya esinye sesilivere esibunzima buziishekele ezilikhulu elinamanci mathathu, nesitya esinye sesilivere esiziishekele ezingamashumi asixhenxe ngokweshekele yengcwele, zombini zizele ngumgubo ocoliweyo, ugalelwe ioli yomnikelo wokudla.
10 Icephe elinye, elinobunzima beeshekele ezilishumi zegolide, lizele sisiqhumiso.
11 inkunzi yenkomo enye, inkunzi yegusha enye, nemvana enye emnyaka mnye, zezedini elinyukayo.
12 Nenkunzi yebhokhwe enye yomnikelo wesono.
13 ezombingelelo woxolo: iinkomo ezimbini, iinkunzi zezimvu ezintlanu, iibhokhwe ezintlanu, neemvana ezintlanu ezimnyaka mnye.
14 Benjenjalo ke izikhulu ezilishumi elinambini zakwaSirayeli imihla ngemihla, ngasinye singulowo ngemini yaso.
15 Kwathi emva koko, ngomhla weshumi elinesithathu wenyanga, uMoses wabawisela umthetho oonyana bakaSirayeli ukuba bayenze ipasika.
16 Oonyana bakaSirayeli bayenza ke ipasika ngexesha layo elimisiweyo, ngomhla weshumi elinesine wenyanga; njengoko uYehova wamwiselayo umthetho uMoses, benjenjalo oonyana bakaSirayeli.
17 Kwathi ngenyanga yesibini, ngomhla wokuqala wayo, wathetha uYehova kuMoses, esithi,
18 Balani iintloko zawo onke amadoda koonyana bakaSirayeli, nithabathele kominyaka imashumi mabini ezelwe, ninyuse, wena noAron umntakwenu, nezikhulu ezilishumi elinambini zakwaSirayeli.
19 Wenjenjalo uMoses; weza uAron, enezikhulu ezilishumi elinambini zakwaSirayeli, bababala oonyana bakaSirayeli entlango yaseSinayi.
20 Inani labantwana bakaSirayeli ngokwezindlu zooyise, ukususela kwabaminyaka imashumi mabini ezelwe, linyuse, laba ngamakhulu amathandathu anamathathu amawaka, anamakhulu mahlanu, anamanci mahlanu.
21 Ke bona oonyana bakaLevi ababalelwanga phakathi kwabazalwana babo, oonyana bakaSirayeli.
22 Inani lawo onke amadoda koonyana bakaSirayeli, ethabathela konyanga inye ezelwe, linyuse, libe ngamashumi amabini anamabini amawaka, anamakhulu mabini, anamanci asixhenxe anesithathu.
23 Inani loonyana bakaLevi, ukususela konyanga inye ubudala, lingamashumi amabini anambini amawaka.
24 UMoses wabamisa ababingeleli nabaLevi, elowo emsebenzini wakhe nasemthwalweni wakhe, ukuba bakhonze ingcwele yomnquba, njengoko uYehova wamwiselayo umthetho uMoses.
25 Kwathi ngomhla wamashumi amabini enyangeni, ilifu lemka ententeni yokuhlangana.
26 Ngelo xesha oonyana bakaSirayeli bahamba besuka entlango yaseSinayi, bahamba uhambo lweentsuku ezintathu; ilifu lahlala phezu kwentlango yaseParan; wavutha umsindo kaYehova kumaSirayeli, kuba babemcaphukisile uYehova ngokucela kuye ukudla, ukuze badle.
27 UYehova waliva ilizwi labo, wabanika ukudla, badla inyanga yonke.
28 Emva koko umsindo kaYehova wavutha kubo, wababulala ngokubulala okukhulu, bangcwatyelwa apho kuloo ndawo.
29 Oonyana bakaSirayeli babiza loo ndawo ngokuthi yiKebroti-hattava, ngokuba bangcwatyelwa khona abantu abakhanukayo inyama.
30 Banduluka eKebroti-hattava, bamisa eHatseroti, esentlango yaseParan.
31 Kwathi xa oonyana bakaSirayeli babeseHazeroti, umsindo kaYehova wavutha kuMiriyam ngenxa kaMoses, waza waba neqhenqa, wamhlophe njengekhephu.
32 Waza wahlala ngaphandle kwenkampu iintsuku ezisixhenxe, wada wabuya wafunyanwa emva kweqhenqa lakhe.
33 Emveni koko oonyana bakaSirayeli banduluka eHatseroti, bamisa iintente ekupheleni kwentlango yaseParan.
34 Ngelo xesha, uYehova wathetha kuMoses, esithi makathumele amadoda alishumi elinambini koonyana bakaSirayeli, indoda ibe nye esizweni ngasinye, aye kuhlola ilizwe laseKanan.
35 UMoses wawathuma amadoda alishumi elinambini, aya ezweni lakwaKanan, ukuze alihlole, alihlole; alihlola lonke ilizwe, ethabathela entlango yaseSin, esa eRekobhi, esa eHamoti.
36 Emva kweentsuku ezingamashumi amane, bafika kuMoses noAron, bamchazela njengoko kwakusezintliziyweni zabo, yaye amadoda alishumi azisa ingxelo embi kubantwana bakaSirayeli ngelizwe ababelihlolile, esithi: “Kulungile ukuba sibuyele eYiputa kunokuba siye kweli lizwe, ilizwe elidla abemi balo.”
37 UYoshuwa unyana kaNun, noKalebhi unyana kaYefune, ababephakathi kwabo bahlola ilizwe, bathi, Eli lizwe lihle kakhulu.
38 Ukuba uYehova uyasithanda, wosisa kweli lizwe, asinike lona; kuba lilizwe elibaleka ubisi nobusi.
39 Kodwa oonyana bakaSirayeli abazange babaphulaphule, kodwa baphulaphula amazwi amadoda alishumi awayezise ingxelo embi ngelizwe.
40 UYehova wakuva ukukrokra kwabantwana bakaSirayeli waza wacaphuka waza wafunga, esithi,
41 Ngokuqinisekileyo akukho namnye kwesi sizukulwana singendawo oya kulibona ilizwe ukususela kwiminyaka engamashumi amabini ubudala nangaphezulu ngaphandle kukaKalebhi unyana kaYefune noYoshuwa unyana kaNun.
42 Kodwa ngokuqinisekileyo esi sizukulwana singendawo siya kutshabalala kule ntlango, kwaye abantwana baso baya kufika kulo ilizwe baze balidle ilifa; ngoko ke umsindo weNkosi wavutha nxamnye noSirayeli, waza

wababhadulisa entlango iminyaka engamashumi amane de kwaphela eso sizukulwana singendawo, kuba abazange bamlandele uYehova.
43 Bahlala abantu entlango yaseParan ixesha elide, baza emva koko bahamba baya entlango ngendlela yoLwandle oluBomvu.

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1 Ngelo xesha uKora, unyana kaYetsere, unyana kaKehati, unyana kaLevi, wathabatha amadoda amaninzi koonyana bakaSirayeli; basuka balwa noMoses noAron nebandla lonke.
2 UYehova waba nomsindo kubo, umhlaba wavula umlomo wawo, wabaginya, nezindlu zabo, nento yonke abanayo, nabo bonke abantu bakaKora.
3 Emva koko uThixo wabajikelezisa abantu ngendlela yeNtaba iSehire ixesha elide.
4 Ngelo xesha uYehova wathi kuMoses, Musani ukubavuselela imfazwe noonyana bakaEsawu; kuba andiyi kuninika nantoni na eyeyabo, nokuba inganyathela unyawo; kuba ndimnikile uEsawu iNtaba iSehire ukuba ibe lilifa.
5 Ngenxa yoko oonyana bakaEsawu balwa nabantwana bakaSehire mandulo, uYehova wabanikela oonyana bakaSehire esandleni soonyana bakaEsawu, wabatshabalalisa phambi kwabo, bahlala endaweni yabo unanamhla.
6 Wathi ke uYehova koonyana bakaSirayeli, Musani ukulwa noonyana bakaEsawu, abazalwana benu; kuba aninanto ezweni labo; ningathenga ukudla kubo ngemali, nidle; nithenge namanzi kubo ngemali, nisele.
7 Oonyana bakaSirayeli benza ngokwelizwi likaYehova.
8 Oonyana bakaSirayeli bahambahamba entlango, bejikeleza ngendlela yeNtaba yaseSinayi ixesha elide, bengabachukumisi oonyana bakaEsawu; bahlala kuloo ndawo iminyaka elishumi elinesithoba.
9 Ngelo xesha wafa uLatin ukumkani wamaKitim, ngonyaka wamashumi amane anesihlanu wokulawula kwakhe, ongunyaka weshumi elinesine wokuphuma kwamaSirayeli eYiputa.
10 Bamngcwaba endaweni yakhe awayezakhele yona kwilizwe laseKitim, waza uAbhimna walawula esikhundleni sakhe iminyaka engamashumi amathathu anesibhozo.
11 Oonyana bakaSirayeli badlula emdeni woonyana bakaEsawu ngaloo mihla, ekupheleni kweminyaka elishumi elinesithoba, bafika badlula ngendlela yentlango yakwaMowabhi.
12 Wathi uYehova kuMoses, Musani ukuwangqinga amaMowabhi, ningalwi nawo; kuba andiyi kuninika nto yelizwe lawo.
13 Kwaye oonyana bakaSirayeli badlula ngendlela yentlango yakwaMowabhi iminyaka elishumi elinesithoba, kwaye abazange balwe nabo.
14 Ngomnyaka wamashumi amathathu anesithandathu wokuphuma kwamaSirayeli eYiputa, uYehova wabetha intliziyo kaSihon, ukumkani wama-Amori, walwa, waphuma waya kulwa nabantwana bakwaMowabhi.
15 USihon wathuma abathunywa kuBhehore unyana kaYanehasi, unyana kaBhileham, iphakathi lokumkani waseYiputa, nakuBhileham unyana wakhe, ukuba baqalekise uMowabhi, ukuze anikelwe esandleni sikaSihon.
16 Bahamba abathunywa, bamthabatha uBhehore unyana kaYaneha, noBhileham unyana wakhe, bevela ePetore eMesopotamiya, baza uBhehore noBhileham unyana wakhe bafika emzini kaSihon, baqalekisa uMowabhi nokumkani wabo phambi kukaSihon ukumkani wama-Amori.
17 Waphuma uSihon, yena nomkhosi wakhe wonke, waya kwaMowabhi, walwa nawo, wawoyisa; uYehova wabanikela esandleni sakhe; uSihon wambulala ukumkani wakwaMowabhi.
18 USihon wathimba yonke imizi yakwaMowabhi emfazweni, wayithimba neHeshbhon kuyo, kuba iHeshbhon yayingomnye wemizi yakwaMowabhi, waza uSihon wabeka iinkosana zakhe nezikhulu zakhe eHeshbhon, yaye iHeshbhon yayiyeyakwaSihon ngaloo mihla.
19 Ngenxa yoko bathetha la mazwi ooBhehore noBhileham unyana wakhe, besithi, Yizani eHeshbhon, isixeko sikaSihon siya kwakhiwa, simiswe.
20 Yeha kuwe Mowabhi! Nilahlekile, nina bantu baseKemoshe! khangelani ibhaliwe encwadini yomthetho kaThixo.
21 Akuba uSihon ewoyisile amaMowabhi, wabeka abalindi kwizixeko awayezithabathe kwaMowabhi, kwaye inani elikhulu labantwana bakwaMowabhi lawela edabini esandleni sikaSihon, waza wabathimba abaninzi, oonyana neentombi, waza wambulala ukumkani wabo; ngoko uSihon wabuyela kwilizwe lakhe.
22 USihon wanika uBhehore noBhileham unyana wakhe izipho ezininzi zesilivere negolide, waza wabandulula, baya eMesopotamiya, babuyela kwilizwe labo.
23 Ngelo xesha bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli badlula ngendlela yentlango yakwaMowabhi, babuya, bayirhawula intlango yakwaEdom.
24 Lonke ibandla lafika entlango yaseSin ngenyanga yokuqala yonyaka wamashumi amane emva kokuphuma kwabo eYiputa, bahlala apho oonyana bakaSirayeli eKadeshe, entlango yaseSin; uMiriyam wafela khona, wangcwatyelwa khona.
25 Ngelo xesha uMoses wathumela abathunywa kuHadadi ukumkani wakwaEdom, esithi, Utsho umzalwana wakho uSirayeli ukuthi, Makhe ndicande ezweni lakho; asiyi kucanda emasimini nasezidiliyeni, asiyi kusela manzi equla; siya kuhamba ngendlela yenkosi.
26 Wathi uEdom kuye, Akuyi kudlula ezweni lam. Waphuma uEdom, waya kubahlangabeza oonyana bakaSirayeli, enabantu abaninzi.
27 Oonyana bakaEsawu abavumanga ukuba oonyana bakaSirayeli badlule elizweni labo, ngoko amaSirayeli asuka kubo, akabalwa nabo.
28 Kaloku ngaphambi koko uYehova wayebawisele umthetho oonyana bakaSirayeli, esithi, Musani ukulwa noonyana bakaEsawu; ngenxa yoko amaSirayeli abashiya, akabalwa nabo.
29 Banduluka ke oonyana bakaSirayeli eKadeshe; bonke abantu beza eNtabeni yeHore.
30 Ngelo xesha uYehova wathi kuMoses, Thetha kuAron umntakwenu, ukuba afele khona; kuba akayi kungena ezweni endilinike oonyana bakaSirayeli.

31 Wenyuka uAron, ngokomyalelo kaYehova, waya entabeni yeHore, ngomnyaka wamashumi amane, ngenyanga yesihlanu, ngosuku lokuqala lwenyanga.
32 UAron wayeneminyaka elikhulu elinamashumi amabini anesithathu ubudala ekufeni kwakhe eNtabeni yeHore.

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1 Weva umKanan, ukumkani waseAradi, owayehleli kwelasezantsi, ukuba amaSirayeli ayeza ngendlela yeentlola, wamisa umkhosi wakhe ukuba alwe namaSirayeli.
2 Oonyana bakaSirayeli bamoyika kakhulu, kuba wayenomkhosi omkhulu nonzima, ngoko ke oonyana bakaSirayeli bagqiba kwelokuba babuyele eYiputa.
3 Bajika oonyana bakaSirayeli, bahamba umgama weentsuku ezintathu, baya eMaserati, unyana kaYakon; ngokuba babesoyika kakhulu ukumkani waseAradi.
4 Oonyana bakaSirayeli abazange babuyele kwiindawo zabo, ngoko bahlala eBheni-yakon iintsuku ezingamashumi amathathu.
5 Bakubona oonyana bakaLevi ukuba oonyana bakaSirayeli ababuyi, baba nomona ngenxa kaYehova, basuka balwa nabazalwana babo oonyana bakaSirayeli, babulala iqela elikhulu kubo, babanyanzela ukuba babuyele endaweni yabo, eNtabeni yeHore.
6 Bakubuya, ukumkani uAradi wayesalungiselela umkhosi wakhe ukulwa namaSirayeli.
7 AmaSirayeli afunga, esithi, Ukuba uthe wabanikela aba bantu esandleni sam, ndoyitshabalalisa imizi yabo.
8 UYehova waliva ilizwi lamaSirayeli, wawanikela amaKanan esandleni sawo, wawatshabalalisa wona nemizi yawo; wathi igama laloo ndawo yiHorma.
9 Emva koko oonyana bakaSirayeli banduluka eNtabeni yeHore baya kumisa iinkampu eObhoti, baza banduluka eObhoti baya kumisa iinkampu eIye-abharim, emdeni wakwaMowabhi.
10 Baza oonyana bakaSirayeli bathumela kuMowabhi, besithi, Masidlule kwilizwe lakho siye endaweni yethu, kodwa oonyana bakaMowabhi abazange bavume ukuba oonyana bakaSirayeli badlule elizweni labo, kuba oonyana bakaMowabhi babesoyika kakhulu ukuba oonyana bakaSirayeli bangenza kubo njengoko uSihon ukumkani wama-Amori wenza kubo, owathabatha ilizwe labo waza wabulala abaninzi kubo.
11 Ngenxa yoko uMowabhi akawavumelanga amaSirayeli ukuba adlule ezweni lakhe; uYehova wabawisela umthetho oonyana bakaSirayeli, esithi, Mabangalwi namaMowabhi. Basuka ke oonyana bakaSirayeli kwelakwaMowabhi.
12 AmaSirayeli asuka emdeni wakwaMowabhi, afika ngaphesheya kweArnon, umda wakwaMowabhi, phakathi kwamaMowabhi nama-Amori, amisa iintente zawo emdeni kaSihon, ukumkani wama-Amori, entlango yaseKedemoti.
13 Oonyana bakaSirayeli bathuma abathunywa kuSihon, ukumkani wama-Amori, besithi,
14 Masivumele sidlule ezweni lakho, asiyi kujika siye emasimini okanye ezidiliyeni, siya kuhamba ngomendo wenkosi side sidlule emdeni wakho, kodwa uSihon akavumanga ukuba amaSirayeli adlule.
15 USihon wabahlanganisa bonke abantu bama-Amori, waphuma waya kubahlangabeza oonyana bakaSirayeli entlango, walwa namaSirayeli eYahatsa.
16 UYehova wamnikela uSihon ukumkani wama-Amori esandleni soonyana bakaSirayeli; amaSirayeli ababulala bonke abantu bakaSihon ngohlangothi lwekrele, aphindezela uMowabhi.
17 Oonyana bakaSirayeli balihlutha ilizwe likaSihon, bathabathela kwa-Aram, kwesa eYabhuki, koonyana baka-Amon, bathabatha onke amaxhoba emizi.
18 AmaSirayeli ayithimba yonke le mizi, ahlala amaSirayeli emizini yonke yama-Amori.
19 Bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli bagqiba kwelokuba balwe noonyana baka-Amoni, balithabathe nelizwe labo.
20 Wathi uYehova koonyana bakaSirayeli, Musani ukubarhawula oonyana baka-Amon, ningabavukeli ukuba balwe nabo; kuba andiyi kuninika nto ezweni labo; baliphulaphula ke ilizwi likaYehova, abalwa noonyana baka-Amon.
21 Bajika oonyana bakaSirayeli, benyuka ngendlela yaseBhashan, baya ezweni likaOgi, ukumkani waseBhashan; uOgi, ukumkani waseBhashan, waphuma waya kulwa namaSirayeli, enamadoda amaninzi anobukroti, nempi enamandla kakhulu evela koonyana bama-Amori.
22 Kwaye uOgi ukumkani waseBhashan wayeyindoda enamandla kakhulu, kodwa unyana wakhe uNaharon wayenamandla kakhulu, enamandla ngaphezu kwakhe.
23 Wathi uOgi entliziyweni yakhe, Yabona, yonke imikhosi yamaSirayeli ithatha indawo yamaqela amathathu; ngoku ndiya kuwaxabela ngaxeshanye, ndingenakrele, ndingenamkhonto.
24 UOgi wenyuka iNtaba iYahazi, wathabatha ilitye elikhulu kulo, ubude balo buzii-parsa ezintathu, walibeka entlokweni yakhe, wagqiba kwelokuba aliphose phezu kwenkampu yamaSirayeli, ukuze abethe onke amaSirayeli ngelo litye.
25 Kwaye ingelosi yeNkosi yeza yaza yalihlaba ilitye entlokweni kaOgi, laza ilitye lawela entanyeni kaOgi owawela emhlabeni ngenxa yobunzima belitye entanyeni yakhe.
26 Ngelo xesha uYehova wathi koonyana bakaSirayeli, Musani ukumoyika; ngokuba ndimnikele esandleni senu, yena nabantu bakhe bonke, nelizwe lakhe lonke; uze wenze kuye njengoko wenzayo kuSihon.
27 UMoses wehla waya kuye nenani elincinci labantwana bakwaSirayeli, waza uMoses wambetha uOgi ngentonga emaqatheni eenyawo zakhe waza wambulala.
28 Emva koko oonyana bakaSirayeli babasukela oonyana bakaOgi nabantu bakhe bonke, bababetha, babatshabalalisa kwada akwasala namnye kubo.
29 Emva koko uMoses wathuma abanye oonyana bakaSirayeli ukuba baye kuhlola iYazere, kuba iYazere yayisisixeko esidumileyo.
30 Iintlola zaya eYazere zaza zayihlola, zaza iintlola zathembela kuYehova, zalwa namadoda aseYazere.
31 Bayithimba iYazere namagxamesi ayo; uYehova wayinikela esandleni sabo, bawagxotha ama-Amori awayelapho.
32 Oonyana bakaSirayeli balithabatha ilizwe lookumkani ababini bama-Amori, imizi engamashumi amathandathu

engaphesheya kweYordan, ukususela emlanjaneni waseArnon ukuya entabeni yaseHerman.
33 AmaSirayeli ahamba aya kufika emathafeni akwaMowabhi, aphesheya kweYordan, malunga neYeriko.
34 Oonyana bakaMowabhi beva bonke ububi ababebenzile oonyana bakaSirayeli kookumkani ababini bama-Amori, uSihon no-Ogi; bonke abantu bakwaMowabhi boyika kakhulu ngamaSirayeli.
35 Athi amadoda amakhulu akwaMowabhi, Yabonani, ookumkani ababini bama-Amori, uSihon no-Ogi, ababenamandla ngaphezu kwabo bonke ookumkani behlabathi, abanakumelana noonyana bakaSirayeli; singathini na ke thina ukumelana nabo?
36 Ngokuqinisekileyo basithumelele umyalezo ngaphambili ukuba sidlule kwilizwe lethu endleleni yabo, kwaye asizange sibavumele, ngoku baza kusijikela ngamakrele abo anzima baze basitshabalalise; kwaye uMowabhi wayekhathazekile ngenxa yabantwana bakaSirayeli, kwaye babesoyika kakhulu, baza bacebisana ngoko kwakuza kwenziwa kubantwana bakaSirayeli.
37 Amadoda amakhulu akwaMowabhi agqiba kwelokuba athabathe omnye wamadoda awo, uBhalaki unyana kaTsipore, umMowabhi, ambeke ukumkani phezu kwawo ngelo xesha, kwaye uBhalaki wayeyindoda elumkileyo kakhulu.
38 Amadoda amakhulu akwaMowabhi asuka athumela koonyana bakwaMidiyan ukuba benze uxolo nabo, kuba kwakukho imfazwe enkulu nobutshaba ngaloo mihla phakathi kwamaMowabhi namaMidiyan, ukususela ngemihla kaHadadi unyana kaBhedadi, ukumkani wakwaEdom, owaxabela amaMidiyan emhlabeni wakwaMowabhi, kude kube yile mihla.
39 Bathumela ke oonyana bakaMowabhi kumaMidiyan, baza benza uxolo nawo; amadoda amakhulu amaMidiyan eza kwilizwe lakwaMowabhi ukuze enze uxolo ngenxa yabantwana bakwaMidiyan.
40 Abadala bakwaMowabhi bacebisana namadoda amakhulu akwaMidiyan ngento amakayenze ukuze asindise ubomi bawo kumaSirayeli.
41 Bonke oonyana bakaMowabhi bathi kumadoda amakhulu akwaMidiyan, Ngoku oonyana bakaSirayeli bayakukhotha konke okusijikelezileyo, njengoko inkomo ikhotha utyani basendle; kuba benze njalo kookumkani ababini bama-Amori abanamandla kunathi.
42 Athi amadoda amakhulu akwaMidiyan kuMowabhi, Sivile ukuba, ngexesha uSihon, ukumkani wama-Amori, awalwa nani, eniwoyisile, wathabatha ilizwe lenu, wathumela kuBhehore unyana kaYaneha, nakuBhileham unyana wakhe, bevela eMesopotamiya, beza baniqalekisa; ngenxa yoko isandla sikaSihon saba namandla phezu kwenu, wathabatha ilizwe lenu.
43 Ngoko ke thumelani kuBhileham unyana wakhe, kuba usesezweni lakhe, nize nimnike umvuzo wakhe, ukuze eze abaqalekise bonke abo niboyikayo. Amadoda amakhulu akwaMowabhi ayiva le nto, kwalunga kuwo ukuthumela kuBhileham unyana kaBhehore.
44 UBhalaki unyana kaTsipore, ukumkani wakwaMowabhi, wathumela abathunywa kuBhileham, esithi,
45 Yabona, kukho abantu abaphume eYiputa, khangela, bagubungela ubuso bomhlaba, kwaye bahlala malunga nam.
46 Yiza ke ngoko undiqalekisele aba bantu, ngokuba banamandla kunam; mhlawumbi ndingaba nako ukulwa nabo, ndibagxothe; kuba ndivile ukuba lowo umsikelelayo usikelelwe, nalowo umqalekisayo uqalekisiwe.
47 Ke abathunywa bakaBhalaki baya kuBhalam, bamzisa uBhalam ukuba abaqalekise abantu, ukuze balwe namaMowabhi.
48 UBhileham weza kuBhalaki ukuqalekisa uSirayeli, wathi uYehova kuBhileham, Musa ukuqalekisa aba bantu, kuba basikelelwe.
49 UBhalaki wambongoza uBhileham imihla ngemihla ukuba aqalekise uSirayeli; kodwa uBhileham akamphulaphulanga uBhalaki ngenxa yelizwi likaYehova awayelithethile kuBhileham.
50 Wathi uBhalaki akubona ukuba uBhileham akavumi ukuvuma umnqweno wakhe, wasuka wahamba waya ekhaya, noBhileham naye wabuyela ezweni lakhe, wemka apho waya kwaMidiyan.
51 Banduluka oonyana bakaSirayeli ezintilini zakwaMowabhi, bamisa iintente ngaseYordan, bethabathela eBhete-yeshimoti, besa eAbhele-shitim, ekupheleni kweentili zakwaMowabhi.
52 Kwathi xa oonyana bakaSirayeli bahlala ethafeni laseShitim, baqala ukuhenyuza neentombi zakwaMowabhi.
53 Basondela oonyana bakaSirayeli kwaMowabhi, baza oonyana bakaMowabhi bamisa iintente zabo malunga nenkampu yabantwana bakaSirayeli.
54 AmaMowabhi ayeboyika oonyana bakaSirayeli, kangangokuba amaMowabhi athabatha zonke iintombi zawo nabafazi bawo ababenomzimba omhle nababukekayo, aza abambathisa ngegolide, isilivere, neengubo ezixabisekileyo.
55 Kwaye oonyana bakaMowabhi babahlalisa abo bafazi emnyango weentente zabo, ukuze oonyana bakaSirayeli bababone baze baphendukele kubo, bangalwi noMowabhi.
56 Bonke oonyana bakaMowabhi benza le nto kubantwana bakaSirayeli, kwaye indoda nganye yabeka umfazi wayo nentombi yayo emnyango wentente yayo, kwaye bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli babona isenzo sabantwana bakwaMowabhi, kwaye oonyana bakaSirayeli bajika kwiintombi zakwaMowabhi baza bazinqwenela, baza baya kuzo.
57 Kwathi xa umHebhere efika emnyango wentente yakwaMowabhi, wabona intombi yakwaMowabhi, wayinqwenela entliziyweni yakhe, wathetha nayo emnyango wentente oko wayekufuna, ngelixa babethetha kunye amadoda entente ayephuma aze athethe nomHebhere ngolu hlobo:
58 Ngokuqinisekileyo niyazi ukuba singabazalwana, sonke siyinzala kaLote kunye nenzala ka-Abraham umntakwabo, kutheni ke ningahlali nathi, kwaye kutheni ningasidli isonka sethu kunye neminikelo yethu?
59 Bathi ke oonyana bakaMowabhi bamxabela ngeentetho zabo, bamrhwebesha ngamazwi abo amnandi, bamhlalisa ententeni, bamphekela, bambingelela, wadla umbingelelo wabo nesonka sabo.
60 Bamnika iwayini, wasela, wanxila, bamnika intombi entle, wenza kuyo njengoko wayethanda, kuba wayengazi ukuba wenza ntoni, kuba wayesele iwayini eninzi.
61 Benza njalo oonyana bakaMowabhi kumaSirayeli kuloo ndawo, ethafeni laseShitim; wavutha umsindo kaYehova

kumaSirayeli ngenxa yeso sizathu, wathumela indyikitya yokufa phakathi kwawo; kwafa kumaSirayeli amashumi amabini anamane amawaka amadoda.
62 Kwakukho indoda yoonyana bakaSimeyon egama linguZimri, unyana kaSalu, eyayizibandakanya noCosbi, umMidiyan, intombi kaTsure, ukumkani wamaMidiyan, emehlweni oonyana bakaSirayeli bonke.
63 UFinehasi, unyana kaElazare, unyana ka-Aron umbingeleli, wayibona le nto imbi ayenzileyo uZimri, wathabatha umkhonto, wavuka wabalandela, wabahlaba bobabini, wababulala; saphela isibetho koonyana bakaSirayeli.

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1 Kwathi emva kwesibetho, wathetha uYehova kuMoses nakuElazare unyana ka-Aron umbingeleli, esithi,
2 Zibaleni iintloko zebandla lonke loonyana bakaSirayeli, nithabathele kwabaminyaka imashumi mabini ezelwe, ninyuse, bonke abaphuma umkhosi;
3 UMoses noElazare bababala oonyana bakaSirayeli ngokwemizalwane yabo; inani lawo onke amaSirayeli laba ngamakhulu asixhenxe amawaka, anamakhulu asixhenxe, anamanci mathathu.
4 Inani loonyana bakaLevi, ukususela kwinyanga enye ubudala ukuya phezulu, lalingamashumi amabini anesithathu amawaka; phakathi kwabo bekungekho mntu wababalwa nguMoses noAron entlango yaseSinayi.
5 Kuba uYehova wayebaxelele ukuba baza kufela entlango, baza bafa bonke, akwasala namnye kubo, ngaphandle kukaKalebhi unyana kaYefune, noYoshuwa unyana kaNun.
6 Kwathi emva koko uYehova wathi kuMoses, Yitsho koonyana bakaSirayeli ukuba baphindezele kumaMidiyan ngenxa yabazalwana babo oonyana bakaSirayeli.
7 Wenjenjalo uMoses; oonyana bakaSirayeli bakhetha phakathi kwabo amadoda alishumi elinesibini lamawaka, iwaka kwisizwe ngasinye, baya kwaMidiyan.
8 Alwa ke amaSirayeli namaMidiyan, abulala yonke into eyindoda, neenkosana ezihlanu zamaMidiyan; bambulala uBhileham unyana kaBhehore ngekrele.
9 Oonyana bakaSirayeli babathimba abafazi bakwaMidiyan, nabantwana babo, nemfuyo yabo, nayo yonke impahla yabo.
10 Bathabatha onke amaxhoba nawo onke amaxhoba, bawazisa kuMoses nakuElazere emathafeni akwaMowabhi.
11 Baphuma ooMoses noElazare kunye neenkosana zonke zebandla, baya kubahlangabeza bevuya.
12 Baza bahlulahlula lonke ixhoba lakwaMidiyan, baza oonyana bakaSirayeli baphindezela kumaMidiyan ngenxa yabazalwana babo oonyana bakaSirayeli.

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1 Ngelo xesha uYehova wathi kuMoses, Yabona, imihla yakho isondele esiphelweni; thabatha uYoshuwa unyana kaNun, umkhonzi wakho, umbeke ententeni yokuhlangana, ndimyalele umthetho. Wenjenjalo uMoses.
2 Wabonakala uYehova ententeni, esemqulwini welifu; umqulu welifu wema emnyango wentente.
3 UYehova wamwisela umthetho uYoshuwa unyana kaNun, wathi kuye, Yomelela, ukhaliphe; kuba uya kubangenisa oonyana bakaSirayeli ezweni endalifungela bona; ndiya kuba nawe mna.
4 Wathi uMoses kuYoshuwa, Yomelela, ukhaliphe; kuba wena uya kubadlisa ilifa oonyana bakaSirayeli ilizwe; uYehova uya kuba nawe; akayi kukushiya, akayi kukushiya; musa ukoyika, ungatyhafi.
5 UMoses wababiza bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli, wathi kubo, Nizibonile zonke izinto ezilungileyo azenzileyo uYehova uThixo wenu kuni entlango.
6 Ngoko ke gcinani onke amazwi alo mthetho, nihambe ngendlela kaYehova uThixo wenu, ningaphambuki endleleni aniwisele umthetho ngayo uYehova, nokuba niye ekunene okanye ekhohlo.
7 UMoses wabafundisa oonyana bakaSirayeli imimiselo, namasiko, nemithetho, ukuba bayenze ezweni elo, njengoko uYehova wayemwisele umthetho ngako.
8 Wabafundisa indlela yeNkosi nemithetho yayo; qaphelani ibhaliwe encwadini yomthetho kaThixo awawunika abantwana bakaSirayeli ngesandla sikaMoses.
9 Wakugqiba uMoses ukubawisela umthetho oonyana bakaSirayeli, wathi uYehova kuye, Nyuka uye entabeni yeAbharim, ufele khona, uhlanganiselwe kubantu bakowenu, njengokuba wahlanganiselwayo uAron, umkhuluwa wakho.
10 Wenyuka ke uMoses njengoko uYehova wayemwisele umthetho, wafela khona ezweni lakwaMowabhi ngokomlomo kaYehova, ngomnyaka wamashumi amane ukususela ekuphumeni koonyana bakaSirayeli ezweni laseYiputa.
11 Oonyana bakaSirayeli bamlilela uMoses emathafeni akwaMowabhi iintsuku ezingamashumi amathathu; zaphela ke iintsuku zokulila nokumlilela uMoses.

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1 Kwathi emva kokufa kukaMoses, uYehova wathetha kuYoshuwa unyana kaNun, wathi,
2 Suka, uwele iYordan, uye ezweni endilinike oonyana bakaSirayeli, ulidle ilifa elo lizwe oonyana bakaSirayeli.
3 Yonke indawo eya kunyathelwa kuyo yintende yonyawo lwenu, ibe yeyakho, ukususela entlango yaseLebhanon ukuya kutsho emlanjeni omkhulu, umlambo i-Ewufrathe, ibe ngumda wenu.
4 Akukho mntu uya kuma nxamnye nawe yonke imihla yobomi bakho; njengoko ndandinoMoses, ndiya kuba nawe; kodwa yomelela, ukhaliphe ukuze ugcine wonke umthetho uMoses awakuwisela wona, ungaphambuki endleleni uye ekunene nasekhohlo, ukuze uphumelele kuko konke okwenzayo.
5 UYoshuwa wabawisela umthetho abaphathi bakwaSirayeli, esithi, Dlulani phakathi kweminquba, nibawisele umthetho abantu, nithi, Zilungiseleleni umphako, kuba kusele imihla emithathu, niyiwele iYordan, niye kulihlutha ilizwe.
6 Benjenjalo ke abaphathi boonyana bakaSirayeli, babawisela umthetho abantu, benza konke uYoshuwa abebayalele ngako.
7 UYoshuwa wathuma amadoda amabini ukuba aye kuhlola ilizwe laseYeriko; aya kuhlola iYeriko.
8 Ekupheleni kweentsuku ezisixhenxe, beza kuYoshuwa emkhosini, bathi kuye, UYehova ulinikele esandleni sethu

lonke ilizwe; abemi balo banyibilikile kukoyika ngenxa yethu.
9 Kwathi emva koko, uYoshuwa wavuka kusasa, yena noSirayeli wonke, banduluka besuka eShitim, uYoshuwa, nawo onke amaSirayeli, bawela iYordan; uYoshuwa wayeneminyaka engamashumi asibhozo anesibini ubudala ukuwela kwakhe iYordan noSirayeli.
10 Abantu benyuka eYordan ngomhla weshumi wenyanga yokuqala, bamisa iintente eGiligali, ngasempumalanga yeYeriko.
11 Oonyana bakaSirayeli benza ipasika eGiligali, ezinkqantosini zaseYeriko, ngomhla weshumi elinesine ngenyanga, njengoko kubhaliweyo emthethweni kaMoses.
12 Imana yaphela ngelo xesha ngengomso wepasika; akwabakho mana kwakhona koonyana bakaSirayeli; badla ke imveliso yelizwe lakwaKanan.
13 IYeriko yayivaliwe ngokupheleleyo phambi kwamaSirayeli, akukho mntu uphumayo nongenayo.
14 Kwathi ngenyanga yesibini, ngosuku lokuqala lwenyanga, uYehova wathi kuYoshuwa, Suka, uyabona, ndiyinikele esandleni sakho iYeriko nabantu bayo bonke; onke amadoda akho okulwa makawujikeleze umzi kube kanye ngemini, nenjenjalo imihla emithandathu.
15 Ababingeleli bovuthela ngezigodlo, bathi, bakukuva isandi sesigodlo, bonke abantu bakhwaze kakhulu, zidilike iindonga zomzi, benyuke bonke abantu, elowo aye kumchasi wakhe.
16 Wenza ke uYoshuwa njengako konke uYehova abemwisele umthetho ngako.
17 Ngosuku lwesixhenxe bajikeleza isixeko izihlandlo ezisixhenxe, ababingeleli bevuthela amaxilongo.
18 Kwathi ngomjikelo wesixhenxe, uYoshuwa wathi ebantwini, Memezani, kuba uYehova unikele wonke umzi esandleni sethu.
19 Ngumzi kuphela, nayo yonke into ekuwo, oza kuqalekiswa kuYehova; zigcineni kwizinto ezisingelwe phantsi, hleze niwenze umnquba wakwaSirayeli ube yinto eqalekisiweyo, niwuphazamise.
20 Kodwa yonke isilivere negolide nobhedu nesinyithi ziya kunikelwa eNkosini, ziya kungeniswa ebuncwaneni beNkosi.
21 Abantu bavuthela izigodlo baza bakhwaza kakhulu, iindonga zaseYeriko zawa, bonke abantu benyuka, wonke umntu ethe ngqo phambi kwakhe, bawuthimba umzi, bawutshabalalisa wonke umntu owawukuwo, amadoda nabafazi, abaselula nabadala, iinkomo nezimvu neesile, ngohlangothi lwekrele.
22 Bawutshisa wonke umzi ngomlilo; kuphela izitya zesilivere negolide, ubhedu nesinyithi, bazibeka ebuncwaneni bukaYehova.
23 UYoshuwa wafunga ngelo xesha, esithi, Makaqalekiswe umntu owakha iYeriko; uya kubeka isiseko sayo ngowamazibulo akhe, aze amise amasango ayo ngonyana wakhe omncinci.
24 UAkan, unyana kaKarmi, unyana kaZabdi, unyana kaZera, unyana kaYuda, wenza ubuqhopololo ngento enikelwe esichengeni, wathabatha into enikelwe esichengeni, wayifihla ententeni, wavutha umsindo kaYehova kumaSirayeli.
25 Kwathi emva koko, xa oonyana bakaSirayeli babuya eYeriko, uYoshuwa wathumela amadoda ukuba aye kuhlola iAyi, alwe nayo.
26 Anyuka amadoda, ayihlola iAyi, abuya athi, Mabangenyuki bonke abantu baye eAyi nawe; makunyuke amadoda amalunga namawaka amathathu, awutshabalalise umzi; ngokuba amadoda alo ambalwa.
27 Wenjenjalo uYoshuwa; kwenyuka naye amadoda angathi ngamawaka amathathu koonyana bakaSirayeli, alwa namadoda aseAyi.
28 Kwaba nzima ukulwa namaSirayeli; amadoda aseAyi abulala amadoda angamashumi amathathu anesithandathu kumaSirayeli; basaba oonyana bakaSirayeli phambi kwamadoda aseAyi.
29 Wathi uYoshuwa akukubona oko, wazikrazula iingubo zakhe, wawa ngobuso emhlabeni phambi koYehova, yena namadoda amakhulu akwaSirayeli, bazigalela uthuli entloko.
30 Wathi uYoshuwa, Nkosi yam, yini na ukuba aba bantu bawelise iYordan? Ndothini na emva kokuba amaSirayeli ezinikele umva iintshaba zawo?
31 Ngenxa yoko onke amaKanan, abemi beli lizwe, aya kuyiva le nto, asirhawule, alicime igama lethu.
32 Wathi uYehova kuYoshuwa, Yini na ukuba uwe ngobuso bakho? Suka, uhambe; kuba amaSirayeli bonile, athabatha into esingelwe phantsi; andiyi kuphinda ndibe phakathi kwawo, ukuba abayi kuyitshabalalisa into esingelwe phantsi phakathi kwawo.
33 Wesuka uYoshuwa, wabahlanganisa abantu, wazizisa iiUrim ngokomyalelo kaYehova; kwathatyathwa isizwe sakwaYuda, kwathathwa uAkan unyana kaKarmi.
34 Wathi uYoshuwa kuAkan, Ndixelele nyana wam, wenze ntoni na? Wathi uAkan, Ndibone phakathi kwempahla ingubo entle yaseShinare, neeshekele zesilivere ezimakhulu mabini, nesiqwenga segolide esiziishekele ezingamashumi amahlanu ubunzima baso; Ndazinqwenela, ndazithabatha, nanzo zonke zifihliwe emhlabeni phakathi kwentente.
35 UYoshuwa wathuma amadoda, aya kuwathabatha ententeni ka-Akan, awazisa kuYoshuwa.
36 UYoshuwa wamthabatha uAkan nezi mpahla, noonyana bakhe neentombi zakhe, nazo zonke izinto zakhe, bazisa entilini yaseAkori.
37 UYoshuwa wabatshisa apho ngomlilo; onke amaSirayeli amxuluba ngamatye uAkan, amisa imfumba yamatye phezu kwakhe; ngenxa yoko wathi loo ndawo yintlambo yeAkore. Wadamba umsindo kaYehova, wafika uYoshuwa kuloo mzi, walwa nawo.
38 Wathi uYehova kuYoshuwa, Musa ukoyika, ungoyiki; yabona, ndiyinikele esandleni sakho iAyi, nokumkani wayo, nabantu bayo; yenza kubo njengoko wenzayo kwiYeriko nokumkani wayo; kodwa amaxhoba ayo, neenkomo zayo, nozithimbela nina; wubekeleni umzi umlaleli emva kwawo.
39 Wenza uYoshuwa ngokwelizwi likaYehova; wanyula amadoda angamashumi amathathu amawaka amadoda anobukroti phakathi koonyana bemfazwe, wawathuma, alalela umzi.
40 Wabayalela, esithi, Xa nisibona siya kusaba phambi kwabo ngobuqili, baze basisukele, nize nivuke ekulaleleni niwuthimbe umzi, baza benza njalo.

41 UYoshuwa walwa, amadoda omzi aphuma aya kumaSirayeli, engazi ukuba alalele ngasemva komzi.
42 UYoshuwa nawo onke amaSirayeli bazenza batyhafile ngenxa yabo, basaba ngendlela yasentlango ngobuqili.
43 Amadoda aseAyi ahlanganisa bonke abantu ababekuloo mzi, ukuba bawasukele amaSirayeli; aphuma, atsalwa emzini, akwasala namnye kuwo; awushiya umzi uvulekile, asukela amaSirayeli.
44 Abo babelalele baphuma kwiindawo zabo, bakhawuleza bafika kwisixeko, basithimba, basitshisa ngomlilo, baza amadoda aseAyi ajika, nanko umsi wesixeko unyuka usiya esibhakabhakeni, kwaye babengenandlela yokubuyela umva nokuba ngayiphi na indlela.
45 Onke amadoda aseAyi ayephakathi kwamaSirayeli, amanye ngakweli cala, amanye ngakweli cala, bawaxabela, akwasala namnye kuwo.
46 Oonyana bakaSirayeli bambamba uMeloshe ukumkani waseAyi ephila, bamzisa kuYoshuwa; uYoshuwa wamxhoma emthini, wafa.
47 AmaSirayeli abuyela esixekweni emva kokuba esitshisile, aza ababulala bonke ababekuso ngohlangothi lwekrele.
48 Inani lamadoda aseAyi awileyo, amadoda nabafazi, lalilishumi elinamabini lamawaka; kuphela iinkomo namaxhoba aloo mzi bazithimbela, ngokwelizwi likaYehova kuYoshuwa.
49 Bonke ookumkani ababephesheya kweYordan, nabo bonke ookumkani baseKanan, beva ububi ababenzileyo oonyana bakaSirayeli kwiYeriko naseAyi, bahlanganisana ukuze balwe namaSirayeli.
50 Abemi baseGibheyon bodwa babesoyika kakhulu ukulwa namaSirayeli hleze batshabalale, ngoko ke benza ngobuqhopholo, baza baya kuYoshuwa nakumaSirayeli onke, bathi kubo, Sivela kwilizwe elikude; ke ngoko yenzani umnqophiso nathi.
51 Abemi baseGibheyon bawafikelela amaSirayeli, baza oonyana bakaSirayeli benza umnqophiso nabo, benza uxolo nabo, baza izikhulu zebandla zabafungela; kodwa emva koko oonyana bakaSirayeli bazi ukuba babengabamelwane babo, behlala phakathi kwabo.
52 Oonyana bakaSirayeli abababulalanga, ngokuba babebafungile ngoYehova; baba ngabagawuli beenkuni nabakhi bamanzi.
53 Wathi uYoshuwa kubo, Nindikhohliseleni na, ukuze nenze oku kuthi? Bamphendula bathi, Kungokuba abakhonzi bakho baxelelwe konke owakwenzayo kubo bonke ookumkani bama-Amori, soyika kakhulu ubomi bethu, saza senza oku.
54 Ngaloo mini uYoshuwa wabamisela ukuba bagawule iinkuni baze bakhe amanzi, waza wababela ukuba babe ngamakhoboka kuzo zonke izizwe zakwaSirayeli.
55 Akuva uAdoni-tsedeki ukumkani waseYerusalem konke abakwenzileyo oonyana bakaSirayeli eYeriko naseAyi, wathumela kuHoham ukumkani waseHebron, nakuPiram ukumkani eYarmuti, nakuYafiya ukumkani waseLakishe, nakuDebhere ukumkani wase-Eglon, esithi,
56 Yizani kum nindincede, ukuze sibabulale oonyana bakaSirayeli nabemi baseGibheyon abenze uxolo noonyana bakaSirayeli.
57 Bahlanganisana ndawonye, ookumkani abahlanu bama-Amori benyuka kunye neenkampu zabo zonke, abantu abaninzi njengentlabathi yonxweme lolwandle.
58 Bonke aba kumkani beza bamisa iintente phambi kweGibheyon, baqala ukulwa nabemi baseGibheyon, kwaye onke amadoda aseGibheyon athumela kuYoshuwa, esithi: “Nyuka ngokukhawuleza uze kuthi usincede, kuba bonke ookumkani bama-Amori bahlanganisene ndawonye ukuze balwe nathi.”
59 Wenyuka uYoshuwa nabo bonke abantu bemfazwe besuka eGiligali, uYoshuwa wafika kubo ngequbuliso, wababulala aba kumkani bahlanu ngokubulala okukhulu.
60 UYehova wabadubaduba phambi koonyana bakaSirayeli, bababulala ngogonyamelo olukhulu eGibheyon, babasukela ngendlela enyuka iye eBhete-horon ukuya eMakeda, baza basaba phambi koonyana bakaSirayeli.
61 Kwaye ngelixa babesaba, iNkosi yathumela phezu kwabo amatye esichotho avela ezulwini, kwaye uninzi lwabo lwafa ngamatye esichotho, kunokuba bafa ngokubulawa kwabantwana bakaSirayeli.
62 Oonyana bakaSirayeli babasukela, kodwa baqhubeka bebahlasela endleleni, beqhubeka nokubabulala.
63 Bakuba bexabela, imini yatshona ngokuhlwa, waza uYoshuwa wathi emehlweni abantu bonke, Langa, yima phezu kweGibheyon, nawe nyanga entlanjeni yaseAyalon, lude uhlanga luziphindezele kwiintshaba zalo.
64 INkosi yaliphulaphula ilizwi likaYoshuwa, ilanga lema phakathi kwamazulu, lema imizuzu engamashumi amathandathu anesithandathu, nenyanga nayo yema yaza ayakhawuleza ukutshona imini yonke.
65 Akukho mini injalo, ngaphambi kwayo nasemva kwayo, apho uYehova waphulaphula ilizwi lomntu, kuba uYehova walwela uSirayeli.

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1 Waza uYoshuwa wathetha le ngoma, mhla uYehova wawanikela ama-Amori esandleni sikaYoshuwa noonyana bakaSirayeli, wathi emehlweni amaSirayeli onke,
2 Wena wenzé izinto ezinkulu, Yehova, wena wenzé izinto ezinkulu; ngubani na onjengawe? Imilebe yam iya kulidumisa igama lakho.
3 Ukulunga kwam nenqaba yam, inqaba yam ephakamileyo, Ndiya kukuculela ingoma entsha, Ndiya kukuculela ingoma yombulelo, wena ungamandla osindiso lwam.
4 Bonke ookumkani behlabathi baya kukudumisa, izikhulu zehlabathi ziya kukubethela uhadi; oonyana bakaSirayeli baya kuvuya ngosindiso lwakho, bamemelele, badumise amandla akho.
5 Sithembele kuwe, Nkosi, sathi, unguThixo wethu, ngokuba ubulihlathi lethu nenqaba yethu eqinileyo phambi kweentshaba zethu.
6 Sakhala kuwe, asizange sibe neentloni; sakholosa ngawe, sahlangulwa; xa sakhala kuwe, waliva ilizwi lethu, wasisindisa ekreleni, wasibonakalisa ububele bakho, wasinika usindiso lwakho, wazivuyisa iintliziyo zethu ngamandla akho.

7 Waphuma ngenxa yosindiso lwethu, wabakhulula abantu bakho ngengalo yakho; wasiphendula usemazulwini obungcwele bakho, wasisindisa kumawakawaka abantu.
8 Ilanga nenyanga zema ezulwini, wena wema ngomsindo wakho nxamnye nabacinezeli bethu, wawisa imigwebo yakho phezu kwabo.
9 Zonke izikhulu zehlabathi zisuke zema, ookumkani beentlanga bahlanganisana, Abazange bashukunyiswe bubuso bakho, Banqwenela iimfazwe zakho.
10 Wavuka nxamnye nabo ngomsindo wakho, wathoba umsindo wakho phezu kwabo, wabatshabalalisa ngomsindo wakho, wabatshabalalisa entliziyweni yakho.
11 Iintlanga ziyatsha bubushushu bakho, nezikumkani ziyawa ngenxa yobushushu bakho; Ubaphanzisile ookumkani ngemini yomsindo wakho.
12 Wathulula ubushushu bakho phezu kwabo, umsindo wakho ovuthayo wabafikela, wabubuyisela phezu kwabo ubugwenxa babo, wabatshabalalisa ngobubi babo.
13 Baneke isibatha, bewela kuso; Emnatheni abawufihlayo, kwabanjwa unyawo lwabo.
14 Isandla sakho besilungele zonke iintshaba zakho ezazisithi, Balihluthile ilizwe ngekrele labo, Bahlala kulo mzi ngengalo yabo; Wazalisa ubuso babo ngehlazo, Waziwisa phantsi iimpondo zabo, Wabangcangcazelisa ngomsindo wakho, Wabatshabalalisa ngomsindo wakho.
15 Umhlaba wanyikima, wanyikima ngesandi sesivuthuvuthu sakho phezu kwabo; awuzange uyithintele imiphefumlo yabo ekufeni, wabuhlisela phantsi ubomi babo engcwabeni.
16 Wabasukela ngesivuthuvuthu sakho, wabatshabalalisa ngesivuthuvuthu sakho, wayiguqula imvula yabo yaba sisichotho, bawa emingxunyeni enzulu, ababa nakuphakama.
17 Izidumbu zabo zazinjengenkunkuma elahliweyo phakathi kwezitrato.
18 Bagqitywa, batshatyalaliswa ngumsindo wakho, Wabasindisa abantu bakho ngamandla akho.
19 Ngenxa yoko iintliziyo zethu ziyavuya kuwe, imiphefumlo yethu iyavuya ngosindiso lwakho.
20 Ulwimi lwethu luya kubalisa ngamandla akho, Sivume, sidumise imisebenzi yakho ebalulekileyo.
21 Ngokuba usihlangule kwiintshaba zethu, wasihlangula kwabo basivukelayo, wabatshabalalisa phambi kwethu, wabacinezela phantsi kweenyawo zethu.
22 Ziya kutshabalala ngolo hlobo zonke iintshaba zakho, Nkosi, kwaye abangendawo baya kuba njengomququ oqhutywa ngumoya, kwaye abathandekayo bakho baya kuba njengemithi etyalwe ngasemanzini.
23 Wabuyela uYoshuwa, enamaSirayeli onke, emkhosini eGiligali, emva kokubabulala bonke ookumkani, akwasala namnye kubo.
24 Ookumkani abahlanu babaleka bodwa edabini, bazimela emqolombeni, uYoshuwa wabafuna ebaleni lemfazwe, akabafumananga.
25 Emva koko kwaxelwa kuYoshuwa kwathiwa, Ookumkani bafunyenwe, kwaye bazimele emqolombeni.
26 Wathi uYoshuwa, Misela amadoda emnyango womqolomba, ukuba abalinde, hleze baziqwenge. Benjenjalo ke oonyana bakaSirayeli.
27 UYoshuwa wabiza onke amaSirayeli, wathi kubaphathi bemfazwe, Bekani iinyawo zenu entanyeni yaba kumkani. Wathi uYoshuwa, Uya kwenjenjalo uYehova kuzo zonke iintshaba zenu.
28 Emva koko uYoshuwa wayalela ukuba babulale ookumkani, babaphose emqolombeni, babeke amatye amakhulu emlonyeni womqolomba.
29 Emva koko uYoshuwa nabantu bonke ababenaye ngaloo mini baya eMakeda, bayitshabalalisa ngohlangothi lwekrele.
30 Watshabalalisa bonke abantu ababekuloo mzi, wenza kukumkani nakubantu bawo njengoko wayenzile kwiYeriko.
31 Wesuka apho waya eLibhena, walwa nayo, uYehova wayinikela esandleni sakhe; uYoshuwa wayixabela ngohlangothi lwekrele, nayo yonke imiphefumlo yayo; wenza kuyo nakukumkani wayo njengoko wenzayo kwiYeriko.
32 Ukusuka apho wadlulela eLakishe ukuze alwe nayo, waza uHoram ukumkani waseGaza wenyuka waya kunceda amadoda aseLakishe, waza uYoshuwa wambulala yena nabantu bakhe, akwasala namnye kuye.
33 UYoshuwa wayithimba iLakishe nabo bonke abantu bayo, wenza kuyo njengoko wenzayo kwiLibhena.
34 Wadlula uYoshuwa apho, waya e-Eglon, wayithimba nayo, wayixabela ngohlangothi lwekrele, nabo bonke abantu bayo.
35 Wasuka apho waya eHebron, walwa nayo, wayithimba, wayitshabalalisa; wabuya apho, enamaSirayeli onke, waya eDebhiri, walwa nayo, wayitshabalalisa ngohlangothi lwekrele.
36 Watshabalalisa yonke imiphefumlo eyayikuyo, akashiyanga namnye usindileyo; wenza kuyo nakukumkani wayo njengoko wenzayo kwiYeriko.
37 UYoshuwa wababulala bonke ookumkani bama-Amori, ukususela eKadeshe-bharneya ukuya eAza, walithimba ilizwe labo ngaxeshanye, kuba uYehova wayewalwele amaSirayeli.
38 UYoshuwa namaSirayeli onke bafika enkampini eGiligali.
39 Ngelo xesha uYabhin ukumkani waseHazore weva konke uYoshuwa akwenzileyo kookumkani bama-Amori, uYabhin wathumela kuYobhati ukumkani wamaMidiyan, nakuLabhan ukumkani waseShimron, nakuYifel ukumkani waseAkeshafi, nakookumkani bonke bama-Amori, esithi,
40 Khawuleza uze kuthi usincede, ukuze sibabulale oonyana bakaSirayeli, bengekasifikeli, benze kuthi njengoko benze ngako kwabanye ookumkani bama-Amori.
41 Bonke aba kumkani bawaphulaphula amazwi kaJabhin, ukumkani waseHazore, baza baphuma kunye neenkampu zabo zonke, ookumkani abalishumi elinesixhenxe, nabantu babo babebaninzi njengentlabathi eselunxwemeni lolwandle, kunye namahashe neenqwelo zokulwa ezingenakubalwa, baza beza bamisa ndawonye emanzini aseMerom, baza bahlangana ukuze balwe noSirayeli.
42 Wathi uYehova kuYoshuwa, Musa ukuboyika; kuba ngomso malunga neli xesha ndiya kubanikela bonke bebulewe phambi kwakho, unqumle amahashe abo, uzitshise iinqwelo zabo zokulwa ngomlilo.
43 UYoshuwa nawo onke amadoda okulwa bafika kubo ngequbuliso, bababulala, bawa esandleni sabo, kuba uYehova wayebanikele esandleni soonyana bakaSirayeli.

44 Oonyana bakaSirayeli babasukela bonke abo kumkani, benamakampu abo, bababulala, kwada akwasala namnye kubo; wenza ke uYoshuwa kubo njengoko wathethayo uYehova kuye.
45 UYoshuwa wabuyela eHazore ngelo xesha, wayixabela ngekrele, wayitshabalalisa yonke imiphefumlo eyayikuyo, wayitshisa ngomlilo; ukususka eHazore, uYoshuwa wadlulela eShimron, wayixabela, wayitshabalalisa.
46 Ukususka apho wadlulela eAkshafi, wenza kuyo njengoko wayenzile eShimron.
47 Ukususka apho wegqitha waya eAdulam, wababulala bonke abantu ababekuyo, wenza eAdulam njengoko wenzayo kwiAkeshafi nakwiShimron.
48 Wadlula esuka kubo waya kuzo zonke izixeko zookumkani awayebaxabele, wababulala bonke abantu abaseleyo kubo, wabatshabalalisa ngokupheleleyo.
49 AmaSirayeli azithimbela kuphela amaxhoba awo neenkomo zawo, kodwa bonke abantu ababuleleyo abazange bashiye bomi.
50 Njengoko uYehova wayemyalele uMoses, wenjenjalo uYoshuwa nawo onke amaSirayeli; abasilela nganto.
51 UYoshuwa nabo bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli baloyisa lonke ilizwe laseKanan njengoko uYehova wayebawisele umthetho, babulala bonke ookumkani balo, ookumkani abangamashumi amathathu ananye, balithabatha lonke ilizwe labo oonyana bakaSirayeli.
52 Ngaphandle kwezikumkani zikaSihon no-Ogi ezaziphesheya kweYordan, ezo uMoses wazixabelayo imizi emininzi kuzo, waza uMoses wazinika amaRubhen namaGadi nesiqingatha sesizwe sakwaManase.
53 UYoshuwa wababulala bonke ookumkani ababengaphesheya kweYordan ngasentshonalanga, wabanika ilifa izizwe ezisithoba nesiqingatha sesizwe sakwaSirayeli.
54 Kangangeminyaka emihlanu uYoshuwa walwa naba kumkani, waza wanika amaSirayeli izixeko zabo, ilizwe lazola ngenxa yemfazwe kulo lonke izixeko zama-Amori namaKanan.

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1 Kwathi ngelo xesha, ngomnyaka wesihlanu emva kokuwela koonyana bakaSirayeli iYordan, emva kokuba oonyana bakaSirayeli bephumle emfazweni yabo namaKanan, ngelo xesha kwabakho iimfazwe ezinkulu nezinzima phakathi kwamaEdom noonyana bakaKitim; oonyana bakaKitim balwa namaEdom.
2 UAbhiyano ukumkani waseKitim waphuma ngaloo nyaka, ngaloo nyaka wamashumi amathathu ananye wobukumkani bakhe, enempi enkulu yamadoda anamandla aseKitim, waya eSehire ukuya kulwa noonyana bakaEsawu.
3 UHadadi ukumkani wakwaEdom weva iindaba zakhe, waphuma waya kumhlangabeza enabantu abaninzi nempi enamandla, walwa naye endle lakwaEdom.
4 Isandla samaKiti saba namandla phezu koonyana bakaEsawu; oonyana bakaKiti babulala oonyana bakaEsawu, amadoda angamashumi amabini anamabini amawaka; bonke oonyana bakaEsawu basaba phambi kwabo.
5 Oonyana bakaKitim babasukela, baza bafika kuHadadi ukumkani wakwaEdom, owayebaleka phambi kwabo, bambamba ephila, baza bamzisa kuAbhiyano ukumkani waseKitim.
6 U-Abiyanus wayalela ukuba abulawe, waza uHadadi ukumkani wakwaEdom wafa ngonyaka wamashumi amane anesibhozo wolawulo lwakhe.
7 Oonyana bakaKitim baqhubeka besukela uEdom, baza bawabulala ngogonyamelo olukhulu, waza uEdom waba phantsi koonyana bakaKitim.
8 Kwaye oonyana bakaKitim balawula phezu kukaEdom, waza uEdom waba phantsi kwesandla sabantwana bakaKitim waza waba bubukumkani obunye ukususela ngaloo mini.
9 Kwaye ukususela ngelo xesha babengasakwazi ukuphakamisa iintloko zabo, kwaye ubukumkani babo baba yinto enye nabantwana baseKitim.
10 U-Abiyanus wabeka amagosa e-Edom kwaye bonke abantwana bakwa-Edom baba phantsi kuka-Abiyanus baza basebenza nzima, waza u-Abiyanus wabuyela kwilizwe lakhe, iKitim.
11 Waza wabuya wavuselela ulawulo lwakhe waza wazakhela indlu enkulu neyomeleleyo yokuhlala ebukhosini, waza walawula ngokukhuselekileyo phezu kwabantwana baseKitim naphezu kwamaEdom.
12 Ngaloo mihla, emva kokuba oonyana bakaSirayeli bewagxothile onke amaKanan nama-Amori, uYoshuwa wayesele emdala, ekhulile.
13 UYehova wathi kuYoshuwa, “Umdala, sele ukhulile, kwaye kusekho inxalenye enkulu yelizwe ekusafuneka lihluthwe.”
14 Ngoko ke yabela eli lizwe libe lilifa lezizwe ezisithoba nesiqingatha sesizwe sakwaManase. Wesuka uYoshuwa wenza njengoko uYehova wayethethile kuye.
15 Waza wawabela lonke ilizwe ngokwezizwe zakwaSirayeli, ngokwezabelo zazo.
16 Ke isizwe sakwaLevi akasinikanga lifa; imirhumo kaYehova lilifa laso, njengoko uYehova wathethayo ngaso ngesandla sikaMoses.
17 UYoshuwa wamnika uKalebhi unyana kaYefune intaba yaseHebron, isabelo esinye ngaphezu kwabazalwana bakhe, njengoko wathethayo uYehova ngoMoses.
18 Ngenxa yoko iHebron yaba lilifa likaKalebhi noonyana bakhe unanamhla.
19 UYoshuwa wawabela amaSirayeli onke ilizwe ngamaqashiso, njengoko uYehova wayemyalele.
20 Oonyana bakaSirayeli babanika abaLevi imizi elifeni labo, namadlelo eenkomo zabo, nempahla yabo, njengoko uYehova wamwiselayo umthetho uMoses, benjenjalo oonyana bakaSirayeli, balaba ilizwe ngeqashiso, nokuba likhulu, lincinci, nokuba lilikhulu.
21 Bahamba baya kulidla ilifa ilizwe ngokwemida yabo; oonyana bakaSirayeli bamnika uYoshuwa unyana kaNun ilifa phakathi kwabo.
22 Ngelizwi likaYehova bamnika umzi awawufunayo, iTimnati-seraki, ezintabeni zakwaEfrayim; wawakha loo mzi, wahlala kuwo.
23 Ngawo la amafa abawabela oonyana bakaSirayeli ngeqashiso eShilo, phambi koYehova, emnyango wentente yokuhlangana, abawayeka ukuwahlula ilizwe.
24 UYehova wabanika ke amaSirayeli ilizwe, balihlutha njengoko uYehova wayethethile kubo, njengoko uYehova wafungayo kooyise.

25 UYehova wabaphumza amaSirayeli kuzo zonke iintshaba zabo ezazibajikelezile, akwabakho mntu wamelana nabo, uYehova wazinikela zonke iintshaba zabo esandleni sabo, akwabakho nanye into eyawa phantsi kuzo zonke izinto ezilungileyo uYehova awayezithethile koonyana bakaSirayeli, uYehova wazenza zonke izinto.
26 UYoshuwa wababiza bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli, wabasikelela, wabayalela ukuba bakhonze uYehova; emva koko wabandulula, baya elowo emzini wakhe, elowo elifeni lakhe.
27 Oonyana bakaSirayeli bamkhonza uYehova yonke imihla kaYoshuwa; uYehova wabaphumza ngeenxa zonke kubo; bahlala emizini yabo bekhuselekile.
28 Kwathi ngaloo mihla, ukumkani u-Abiyanus waseKitim wafa, ngonyaka wamashumi amathathu anesibhozo wolawulo lwakhe, oko kukuthi, unyaka wesixhenxe wolawulo lwakhe phezu kwamaEdom, bamngcwaba endaweni yakhe awayezakhele yona, waza uLatinus walawula esikhundleni sakhe iminyaka engamashumi amahlanu.
29 Ngexesha lokulawula kwakhe wakhupha umkhosi, waya kulwa nabemi baseBritannia naseKernania, oonyana bakaElisha unyana kaYavan, waboyisa waza wabenza abasebenzi abaphantsi kwengcinezelo.
30 Weva ke ukuba uEdom uvukele phantsi kwesandla samaKitim, waza uLatin waya kubo, wababulala, waboyisa, wababeka phantsi kwesandla sabantwana bamaKitim, waza uEdom waba bubukumkani obunye nabantwana bamaKitim imihla yonke.
31 Kwaye kangangeminyaka emininzi kwakungekho kumkani kwaEdom, kwaye urhulumente wabo wawukunye nabantwana bakaKitim nokumkani wabo.
32 Kwathi ngonyaka wamashumi amabini anesithandathu emva kokuba oonyana bakaSirayeli bewele iYordan, lowo ngumnyaka wamashumi amathandathu anesithandathu emva kokuba oonyana bakaSirayeli bemkile eYiputa, uYoshuwa wayesele emdala, ekhulile ngeminyaka, eneminyaka elikhulu elinesibhozo ngaloo mihla.
33 UYoshuwa wabiza onke amaSirayeli, amadoda amakhulu, abagwebi, nabaphathi bawo, emva kokuba uYehova ebaphumzile bonke amaSirayeli kuzo zonke iintshaba zawo ezijikelezileyo, wathi uYoshuwa kumadoda amakhulu akwaSirayeli, nakubagwebi bawo, Yabonani, ndimdala, ndikhulile, nikubonile oko uYehova akwenzileyo kuzo zonke iintlanga azigxothileyo phambi kwenu; ngokuba nguYehova onilweleyo.
34 Ngoko ke ziqiniseni ukuze nigcine nize nenze onke amazwi omthetho kaMoses, ningaphambuki kuwo niye ngasekunene okanye ngasekhohlo, ningangeni phakathi kwezo ntlanga ziseleyo kweli lizwe, ningakhankanyi namagama oothixo bazo; kodwa nimele ninamathele kuYehova uThixo wenu, njengoko nenzileyo unanamhla.
35 UYoshuwa wabakhuthaza kakhulu abantwana bakaSirayeli ukuba bakhonze uYehova yonke imihla yabo.
36 Bonke oonyana bakaSirayeli bathi, Siya kumkhonza uYehova uThixo wethu yonke imihla yethu, thina nabantwana bethu, nabantwana babantwana bethu, nembewu yethu ngonaphakade.
37 UYoshuwa wenza umnqophiso nabantu ngaloo mini, wabandulula oonyana bakaSirayeli; baya elowo elifeni lakhe, nasemzini wakhe.
38 Kwathi ngaloo mihla, xa oonyana bakaSirayeli babehleli ngokukhuselekileyo emizini yabo, bangcwaba amatye ezizwe zooyise ababewakhuphe eYiputa, elowo elifeni loonyana bakhe, oonyana bakaYakobi abalishumi elinababini bangcwaba, elowo elifeni loonyana bakhe.
39 Ngawo la amagama emizi abangcwatyelwa kuyo oonyana bakaYakobi abalishumi elinababini, ababenyuswe ngoonyana bakaSirayeli eYiputa.
40 Bamngcwaba uRubhen noGadi phesheya kweYordan, eRomiya, awathi uMoses wabanika oonyana babo.
41 USimon noLevi bangcwatyelwa emzini waseMauda, awawunika oonyana bakaSimon; nedlelo lomzi lalilelabantwana bakaLevi.
42 Bamngcwabela uYuda emzini wakwaBhenjamin, malungana neBhetelehem.
43 Amathambo kaIsakare nakaZebhulon bawangcwaba eSidon, kwindawo eyayisele inikezelwe koonyana babo.
44 UDan wangcwatyelwa kwisixeko soonyana bakhe e-Eshtayeli; uNafetali noAshere bangcwatyelwa eKadeshe-nafetali, elowo endaweni yakhe awayeyinike oonyana bakhe.
45 Amathambo kaYosefu bawangcwaba eShekem, kwisiqwenga sentsimi awasithengayo uYakobi kuHamore, saba sesikaYosefu njengelifa.
46 Bamngcwaba uBhenjamin eYerusalem malunga namaYebhusi, awanikwa oonyana bakaBhenjamin; oonyana bakaSirayeli bangcwaba ooyise, elowo emzini woonyana bakhe.
47 Ekupheleni kweminyaka emibini, wafa uYoshuwa unyana kaNun, eneminyaka elikhulu elineshumi ubudala, waza uYoshuwa waba ngumgwebi wamaSirayeli iminyaka engamashumi amabini anesibhozo. USirayeli wamkhonza uYehova yonke imihla yobomi bakhe.
48 Ezinye izinto zikaYoshuwa neemfazwe zakhe kunye neziyalo zakhe awakhalimela ngazo uSirayeli, nazo zonke izinto awayeziyalele zona, kunye namagama emizi eyayithathwe ngabantwana bakaSirayeli ngemihla yakhe, khangela zibhaliwe encwadini yamazwi kaYoshuwa kubantwana bakaSirayeli, nakwincwadi yeemfazwe zeNkosi, ezazibhalwe nguMoses noYoshuwa nabantwana bakaSirayeli.
49 Oonyana bakaSirayeli bamngcwaba uYoshuwa emdeni welifa lakhe, eTimnati-seraki, awayinikwayo ezintabeni zakwaEfrayim.
50 UElazare unyana ka-Aron wafa ngaloo mihla, bamngcwabela endulini kaFinehasi unyana wakhe, awayinikwayo ezintabeni zakwaEfrayim.

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1 Ngelo xesha, emva kokufa kukaYoshuwa, oonyana bamaKanan babesekhona kwelo zwe; oonyana bakaSirayeli bagqiba kwelokuba bawagxothe.
2 Babuza oonyana bakaSirayeli kuYehova, besithi, Ngubani na oya kusiqalela ukunyuka aye kumaKanan, alwe nawo? Wathi uYehova, Makwenyuke uYuda.
3 Bathi oonyana bakaYuda kuSimon, Nyuka nathi, siye eqashisweni lethu, silwe namaKanan, nathi sinyuke nawe eqashisweni lakho; bahamba ke oonyana bakaSimon noonyana bakaYuda.

4 Benyuka oonyana bakaYuda, balwa namaKanan; uYehova wawanikela amaKanan esandleni soonyana bakaYuda, bawabulala eBhezeki, amadoda angamawaka alishumi.
5 Balwa noAdonibhezeki eBhezeki, waza wabaleka phambi kwabo, bamsukela baza bambamba, baza bambamba bamnqumla oobhontsi bakhe noobhontsi bakhe abakhulu.
6 Wathi uAdonibhezeki, Ookumkani abangamashumi asixhenxe abanqunyulwe oozithupha noobhontsi, baqokelela ukutya kwabo phantsi kwetafile yam, njengoko nam ndenzileyo, uThixo undiphindezele, bamzisa eYerusalem, wafela khona.
7 Oonyana bakaSimeyon bahamba noonyana bakaYuda, bawabulala amaKanan ngohlangothi lwekrele.
8 UYehova wayenabantwana bakaYuda, balihlutha elo zwe leentaba; oonyana bakaYosefu benyuka baya eBheteli, oko kukuthi, eLuzi; uYehova wayenabo.
9 Oonyana bakaYosefu bayihlola iBheteli; abalindi babona indoda iphuma kuloo mzi, bambamba, bathi kuyo, Khawusibonise isango lomzi, sokwenzela inceba.
10 Loo ndoda yababonisa indlela yokungena emzini, baza oonyana bakaYosefu bafika bawutshabalalisa loo Mzi ngohlangothi lwekrele.
11 Bamndulula loo ndoda kunye nosapho lwayo, waya kumaHeti waza wakha isixeko, wasibiza ngokuba yiLuzi, ngoko ke onke amaSirayeli ahlala emizini yawo, nabantwana bakwaSirayeli bahlala emizini yawo, yaye oonyana bakaSirayeli bakhonza uYehova yonke imihla kaYoshuwa, nayo yonke imihla yabadala, ababesele bephila emva kukaYoshuwa, baza babona umsebenzi omkhulu weNkosi, awayewenzele uSirayeli.
12 Amadoda amakhulu agweba amaSirayeli emva kokufa kukaYoshuwa iminyaka elishumi elinesixhenxe.
13 Onke amadoda amakhulu nawo alwa iimfazwe zakwaSirayeli namaKanan, uYehova wawagxotha amaKanan phambi koonyana bakaSirayeli, ukuze awabeke amaSirayeli ezweni lawo.
14 Waza wazalisekisa onke amazwi awayewathethile kuAbraham, kuIsake, nakuYakobi, nesifungo awayesifungele ukuba uza kusinika bona nabantwana babo ilizwe lamaKanan.
15 UYehova wabanika oonyana bakaSirayeli lonke ilizwe lakwaKanan, njengoko wabafungelayo ooyise; uYehova wabaphumza kwababebangqongile; bahlala oonyana bakaSirayeli emizini yabo bekholosile.
16 Makabongwe uYehova ngonaphakade, amen, amen.
17 Ziqiniseni, kwaye iintliziyo zenu nonke nina nithembele eNkosini mazibe nesibindi. Isiphelo.